

A GENERALIZATION OF BIHARI'S LEMMA FOR
DISCONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS AND ITS APPLICATION TO
THE STABILITY PROBLEM OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS
WITH IMPULSE DISTURBANCE

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Abstract. This paper presents a generalization of nonlinear integral inequalities of the Gronwall–Bellman–Bihari type for discontinuous functions and its application to the investigation of the practical stability of solutions of systems of integro-differential equations with impulse perturbations at fixed moments of time.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Gronwall–Bellman–Bihari inequalities [1]–[3], [31] and their numerous linear and nonlinear generalizations [15]–[17], [19], [20], [22], [23] for continuous and discontinuous functions [4], [28] play an important role in investigating qualitative characteristics of solutions of differential equations such as existence, uniqueness, boundedness, stability with various kinds of perturbations [5]–[13], [21], [22], [24], [25]–[31].

In this paper we establish a new nonlinear integral inequality (“integro-sum” inequality) for discontinuous functions. This term was for the first time used in [28] and subsequently in [9], [10], [30].

In Section 2 we consider the mathematical model of some processes described by a system of integro-differential equations with impulse perturbations at fixed moments of time.

In Section 3 the result of [2], [3], [25] is generalized to the case of discontinuous functions.

In Section 4 the sufficient conditions of boundedness, stability, practical stability [14] of an undisturbed motion system are established for different kinds of nonlinearities on the right-hand side of a system of equations with impulse perturbations.

2. MATHEMATICAL MODEL

Let us consider a system of equations of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx}{dt} &= f(t, x, K[x(t)]), \quad t \neq t_i, \\ \Delta x|_{t=t_i} &= I_i(x), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $x \in R^n$, $f \in R^n$, $I_i \in R^n$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, $t \geq t_0 \geq 0$ are defined in the domain

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \{(t, x) : t \in J = [t_0, T], \quad T \leq \infty, \quad \|x\| \leq h = \text{const} > 0\}, \\ \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} t_i &= \infty, \quad t_{i-1} < t_i, \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, \\ K[x(t)] &= \int_{t_0}^t k(t, \tau, x(\tau)) d\tau, \quad \Delta x|_{t=t_i} = x(t_i + 0) - x(t_i - 0) = I_i(x(t_i - 0)). \end{aligned}$$

The solution $x(t)$ of system (1) is continuous from the left at the points $\{t_i\}$ and has first kind discontinuity at $\{t_i\}$.

Let us assume that $f(t, 0, K[0]) = I_i(0) = 0$, $\forall i \in N$ and the functions f, I_i, k satisfy the following conditions:

- i) $\|f(t, x, y)\| \leq l(t) [\|x\| + \|y\|]$, $l(t) \geq 0$, $\forall t \geq t_0$,
- ii) $\|k(t, s, x)\| \leq \xi(s) \|x\|^m$, $\forall s : t_0 \leq s \leq t$, $\xi(s) \geq 0$, $m > 0$,
- iii) $\|I_i(x) - I_i(y)\| \leq \beta_i \|x - y\|$, $\forall x, y \in W$, $\beta_i = \text{const} > 0$ in domain W .

Consider the solution $x(t) = x(t, t_0, x_0)$ of the Cauchy problem for system (1) with the initial condition $x(t_0) = x_0$. It is obvious that

$$x(t, t_0, x_0) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(\tau, x(\tau), K[x(\tau)]) d\tau + \sum_{t_0 < t_i < t} I_i(x(t_i - 0)). \quad (2)$$

We call (2) the ‘‘integro-sum’’ representation of the solution $x(t, t_0, x_0)$.

By virtue of i)–iii), the ‘‘integro-sum’’ inequality for $\|x(t)\|$ ($x(t) = x(t, t_0, x_0)$) can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \|x(t)\| &\leq \|x_0\| + \int_{t_0}^t l(\tau) [\|x(\tau)\| + \|K[x(\tau)]\|] d\tau + \sum_{t_0 < t_i < t} \|I_i(x(t_i - 0))\| \\ &\leq \|x_0\| + \int_{t_0}^t l(\tau) \|x(\tau)\| d\tau + \int_{t_0}^t \left[l(s) \left(\int_{t_0}^s \xi(\sigma) \|x(\sigma)\|^m d\sigma \right) \right] ds \\ &\quad + \sum_{t_0 < t_i < t} \beta_i \|x(t_i - 0)\|. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

We use estimates for $\|x(t)\|$ to investigate different qualitative characteristics of solutions of system (1).

3. THE BELLMAN–BIHARI–RAKHMATULLINA GENERALIZATION METHOD FOR “INTEGRO-SUM” INEQUALITIES

Using the results of the monograph [30], let us consider the “integro-sum” inequality

$$u(t) \leq \varphi(t) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, s, u(s)) ds + \sum_{t_0 < t_i < t} \Psi(t, t_k) \mu_k(u(t_k - 0)), \quad (4)$$

where $u(t)$, $\varphi(t)$, $\Psi(t, t_k)$ are continuous nonnegative functions for $t \geq t_0$, $u(t)$ having first kind discontinuities at the points t_k :

$$t_0 < t_1 < \dots, \quad \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} t_i = \infty;$$

$\Phi(t, s, u)$ is nonnegative at $t \geq s \geq t_0$, defined in domain $t \geq s \geq t_0, |u| \leq k = const < \infty$ and, for fixed t and s , it is nondecreasing with respect to u ; the functions $\mu_k(u)$ are continuous nonnegative and nondecreasing with respect to u .

Then, for arbitrary $t \in [t_0, \infty[$ $u(t)$ satisfy the inequality $u(t) \leq \sigma_\varphi(t)$ [30, Theorem 3.1, p. 174], where $\sigma_\varphi(t)$ is some solution of the equation

$$\sigma(t) = \varphi(t) + \int_{t_0}^t \Phi(t, s, \sigma(s)) ds + \sum_{t_0 < t_k < t} \Psi(t, t_k) \mu_k(\sigma(t_k - 0)), \quad (5)$$

continuous on each intervals $[t_k, t_{k+1}[$, $k = 0, 1, \dots$. Here $\sigma(t_i - 0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_i - 0} \sigma(t)$.

The following statement is true.

Lemma. *Let the nonnegative function $\varphi(t)$ with first kind discontinuities at the points $t_i : t_1 < t_2 < \dots, \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} t_i = \infty$ satisfy the “integro-sum” inequality*

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(t) \leq & C + \int_{t_0}^t q(s) \varphi(s) ds + \int_{t_0}^t q(s) \left(\int_{t_0}^s g(\sigma) \varphi^m(\sigma) d\sigma \right) ds \\ & + \sum_{t_0 < t_i < t} \beta_i \varphi(t_i - 0), \quad m > 0, \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where $C \geq 0, q(t) \geq 0, g(t) \geq 0, \beta_i = const \geq 0$.

Then the following estimates are valid:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I) } \varphi(t) \leq & \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t q(\tau) d\tau \right] \left[\left\{ C \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i) \right\}^{1-m} \right. \\ & \left. + (1-m) \int_{t_0}^t g(s) \left[\exp(m-1) \int_{t_0}^s q(\sigma) d\sigma \right] ds \right]^{\frac{1}{1-m}}, \quad 0 < m < 1; \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{II) } \varphi(t) \leq C \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i) \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t (q(\tau) + g(\tau)) d\tau \right], \quad m = 1; \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{III) } \varphi(t) \leq C \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i) \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t q(\tau) d\tau \right] & \left[1 - (m-1) \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i)^{m-1} \right. \\ & \left. \times C^{m-1} \int_{t_0}^t g(s) \left(\exp(m-1) \int_{t_0}^s q(\sigma) d\sigma \right) ds \right]^{-\frac{1}{m-1}}, \quad m > 1, \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall t \geq t_0 : \int_{t_0}^t g(s) \left(\exp[(m-1) \int_{t_0}^s q(\sigma) d\sigma] \right) ds \\ < \left[(m-1) \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i)^{m-1} C^{m-1} \right]^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Suppose that $t \in [t_0, t_1[$. Then

$$\varphi(t) \leq C + \int_{t_0}^t q(s) \varphi(s) ds + \int_{t_0}^t q(s) \left(\int_{t_0}^s g(\sigma) \varphi^m(\sigma) d\sigma \right) ds. \quad (10)$$

Denote

$$V(t) = C + \int_{t_0}^t q(s) \varphi(s) ds + \int_{t_0}^t q(s) \left(\int_{t_0}^s g(\sigma) \varphi^m(\sigma) d\sigma \right) ds.$$

It is obvious that $\varphi(t_0) = V(t_0) = C$, $\varphi(t) \leq V(t)$, $\forall t \geq t_0$. Then

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = q(t) \varphi(t) + q(t) \int_{t_0}^t g(\sigma) \varphi^m(\sigma) d\sigma \leq q(t) \left[V(t) + \int_{t_0}^t g(\sigma) V^m(\sigma) d\sigma \right].$$

Let $W(t) = V(t) + \int_{t_0}^t g(\sigma) V^m(\sigma) d\sigma$. Then $W(t_0) = V(t_0) = C$, $V(t) \leq W(t)$,

$\forall t \geq t_0$.

It easy to see that

$$\frac{dW}{dt} \leq q(t) W(t) + g(t) W^m(t).$$

From the latter differential inequality we have the following estimates for $\varphi(t)$:

$$\varphi(t) \leq \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t q(\tau) d\tau \right] \left[C^{1-m} + (1-m) \int_{t_0}^t g(\tau) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \exp \left[(m-1) \int_{t_0}^t q(\sigma) d\sigma \right] d\tau \Big]^{\frac{1}{1-m}} \quad \text{for } 0 < m < 1, \quad t \geq t_0, \\ \varphi(t) & \leq C \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t (q(\tau) + g(\tau)) d\tau \right], \quad \text{for } m = 1, \quad t \geq t_0, \\ \varphi(t) & \leq C \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t q(\tau) d\tau \right] \left[1 - (m-1) C^{m-1} \int_{t_0}^t g(\tau) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times \exp \left[(m-1) \int_{t_0}^t q(\sigma) d\sigma \right] d\tau \right]^{-\frac{1}{m-1}}, \quad \text{for } m > 1 \text{ and} \\ \forall t \geq t_0 : & \int_{t_0}^t g(\tau) \exp \left[(m-1) \int_{t_0}^t q(\sigma) d\sigma \right] d\tau < [(m-1) C^{m-1}]^{-1}. \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

From (11) it follows that inequalities (7)–(9) are fulfilled $\forall t \in [t_0, t_1[$.

Using the scheme described in [4] on the interval $[t_k, t_{k+1}[$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$, and the estimates for the function $\varphi(t)$ on the interval $[t_{k-1}, t_k[$, we obtain (by induction) estimates (7)–(9) on the entire interval J . \square

4. PRACTICAL STABILITY BY CHETAEV

Now we investigate the problem of practical stability of a trivial solution $x \equiv 0$ of system (1) with different kinds of nonlinearity f on right-hand side of (1).

A trivial solution of system (1) is called practically stable with respect to (λ, Λ, J) if there exists exist a continuous and monotonously increasing function $\varphi(t_0, \|x_0\|)$ with respect to the second argument, such that for an arbitrary solution $x(t, t_0, x_0) \neq 0$ of system (1) the estimate

$$\|x(t, t_0, x_0)\| \leq \varphi(t_0, \|x_0\|), \quad \forall t \in J,$$

is valid, where $\varphi(t_0, \|x_0\|) < \Lambda$, if only $\|x_0\| < \lambda$, $\forall t \geq t_0$, $t \in J$. Here $\lambda < \Lambda$, $J = [t_0, T]$, $T \leq \infty$.

A trivial solution of system (1) is called uniformly practically stable with respect to t_0 relative to present values (λ, Λ, J) , if for an arbitrary nontrivial solution $x(t, t_0, x_0)$ of system (1) the estimate $\|x(t, t_0, x_0)\| \leq \varphi(\|x_0\|)$, $\forall t \in J$ holds, where $\varphi(\|x_0\|) < \Lambda$, if and only if $\|x_0\| < \lambda$. Here $\varphi(u)$ is a monotonous increasing function with respect to u .

Consider the case where the parameter $0 < m < 1$.

The following result is valid.

Proposition 1. *Let for system (1) the following conditions be fulfilled:*

a) *inequalities i)–iii) are fulfilled for $m \in]0, 1[$;*

b) $\exists \pi(t_0) = \text{const} > 0$:

$$\prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i) \leq \pi(t_0) < \infty, \quad \forall t \in J;$$

c) $\exists I_i(t_0) = \text{const} > 0$ ($i = 1, 2$) :

$$\int_{t_0}^t l(s) ds \leq I_1(t_0), \quad \forall t \in J,$$

$$\int_{t_0}^s \xi(\tau) \exp \left[(m-1) \int_{t_0}^{\tau} l(\sigma) d\sigma \right] d\tau \leq I_2(t_0) < \infty.$$

Then all solutions of system (1) are bounded. If, in addition to a)–c), the inequality

$$\exp[(1-m)I_1(t_0)] \{ [\lambda \pi(t_0)]^{1-m} + (1-m)I_2(t_0) \} < \Lambda^{1-m} \quad (12)$$

holds, then a trivial solution of system (1) is practically stable with respect to (λ, Λ, J) .

Proof. Using (2) and the “integro-sum” inequality (3), it is obvious that an arbitrary solution $x(t, t_0, x_0) \neq 0$ of system (1) satisfies the inequality

$$\|x(t, t_0, x_0)\| \leq \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t l(\tau) d\tau \right] \left[\|x_0\|^{1-m} \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i)^{1-m} + (1-m) \right. \\ \left. \times \int_{t_0}^t \xi(\tau) \exp \left[(m-1) \int_{t_0}^{\tau} l(\sigma) d\sigma \right] d\tau \right]^{\frac{1}{1-m}}. \quad (13)$$

Using (13) and the conditions a)–c), it is easy to verify that solutions of system (1) are bounded. \square

Let

$$\varphi(t_0, \|x_0\|) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [\|x_0\|^{1-m} \pi^{1-m}(t_0) + (1-m)I_2(t_0)]^{\frac{1}{1-m}} \exp[I_1(t_0)].$$

It is obvious that $\varphi(t_0, \lambda) < \Lambda$ if and only if $\|x_0\| < \lambda$ and (12) holds.

Remark 1. If in Proposition 1 $\pi(t_0)$, $I_i(t_0)$ are independent of t_0 , then a trivial solution is practically stable uniformly with respect to t_0 .

Consider the case where $m = 1$. The next result is valid.

Proposition 2.

I) Let the condition b) of Proposition 1 be fulfilled and inequalities i)–iii) hold for $m = 1$. If $\exists I_3(t_0) = \text{const} > 0$: $\int_{t_0}^t (l(\tau) + \xi(\tau)) d\tau \leq I_3(t_0) < \infty, \forall t \geq t_0$, then all solutions of system (1) are bounded.

II) Assume that part I) of the proposition is fulfilled and the values of the initial and next perturbations of system (1) satisfy the inequality

$$\frac{\Lambda}{\lambda} > \pi(t_0) \exp [I_3(t_0)]. \tag{14}$$

Then a trivial solution of system (1) is practically stable (uniformly with respect to t_0 if I_3, π are independent of t_0).

The proof of Proposition 2 follows from the “integro-sum” inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \|x(t, t_0, x_0)\| &\leq \|x_0\| + \int_{t_0}^t l(\tau) \|x(\tau, t_0, x_0)\| d\tau \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^t l(s) \left(\int_{t_0}^s \xi(\sigma) \|x(s, t_0, x_0)\| d\sigma \right) ds \\ \stackrel{\text{lemma}}{\implies} \|x(t, t_0, x_0)\| &\leq \|x_0\| \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i) \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t [l(s) + \xi(s)] ds \right] \\ &\leq \|x_0\| \pi(t_0) \exp [I_3(t_0)] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varphi(t_0, \|x_0\|). \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2. It can be easily verified that when the conditions of Proposition 2 are satisfied, the estimate

$$\|x(t, t_0, x_0)\| \leq \|x_0\| \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i) \exp \left[\int_{t_0}^t [l(s) + \xi(s)] ds \right] \tag{15}$$

implies that a trivial solution of system (1) is stable by Lyapunov.

Now consider the case where $m > 1$. The next result is valid.

Proposition 3. Let system (1) satisfy conditions i)–iii) and the inequalities b), c) of Proposition 1 be fulfilled. Then:

A) all solutions of system (1) are bounded;

B) a trivial solution is

1) practically stable if and only if the initial and next perturbations satisfy the inequalities

1) (p.s.), if only values of initial and next perturbations satisfy inequalities

$$\lambda(t_0)\pi(t_0) < [(m - 1)I_2(t_0)]^{-\frac{1}{m-1}}, \tag{16}$$

$$\exp [I_1(t_0)] \pi(t_0) [1 - (m - 1)\pi^{m-1}(t_0)\lambda^{m-1}(t_0)I_2(t_0)]^{-\frac{1}{m-1}} < \Lambda;$$

2) uniformly practically stable if (16) holds and $I_i(t_0) = I_i, \pi(t_0) = \pi, \forall t_0 \geq 0$ (independent of t_0);

C) a trivial solution is stable by Lyapunov if and only if

$$\int_{t_0}^t \xi(s) \exp\left((m-1) \int_{t_0}^s l(\sigma) d\sigma\right) ds < \frac{1}{(m-1) \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i)^{m-1} \|x_0\|^{m-1}} \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \geq 0 \quad (17)$$

Statements A)–C) follow from the estimate of the norm of a solution of system (1)

$$\|x(t, t_0 x_0)\| \leq \|x_0\| \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i) \left[1 - (m-1) \prod_{t_0 < t_i < t} (1 + \beta_i)^{m-1} \|x_0\|^{m-1} \times \int_{t_0}^t \xi(s) \exp\left((m-1) \int_{t_0}^s l(\sigma) d\sigma\right) ds \right]^{-\frac{1}{m-1}} \exp\left(\int_{t_0}^t l(\tau) d\tau\right),$$

where $t \geq t_0$, and therefore inequality (17) is satisfied.

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