THEORETICAL RESEARCH REGARDING ANY STABILITY THEOREMS WITH APPLICATIONS

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Abstract

The research is focuses on the theoretical study of the stability in sense of Lyapunov for evolution of the dynamical systems that depend of parameters. Is proven an original theorem of separation between the stable and unstable zones, in the plane of chosen principal parameters. In the paper is related, using this results, an original method for identification, in the plane of principal parameters of the mathematical model of the dynamical system, the stabilities and instabilities regions of the dynamical system motion. We analyze also a lot of theorems, as the Floquet stability theorem, about the motion stability for the dynamical systems described by differential equation systems with periodical coefficients. The results are applied to study the motion stability of the couple pantograph – contact wire of the electrical locomotive. The parameters of the system consist of two concentrated masses, the bending stiffness, the horizontal tension, the viscous damping and the mass per unit length of the wire, the other damping coefficients and stiffness elements of the system and any constant speed specified in the model. We study the stabilities and instabilities regions of the dynamical system motion using these parameters and our original method of identification of stability zones, in the plane of principal parameters of the mathematical model of the dynamical system pantograph-contact wire.

1. INTRODUCTION

Firstly we describe some results about the differential linear equations and systems. Consider a linear differential equation of order \(n\) for the unknown function \(y\):

\[
y^{(n)} + a_{n-1} y^{(n-1)} + \ldots + a_1 y' + a_0 y = f
\]

(1)

where \(a_{n-1}, a_1, a_0, f\) are functions defined on an interval \(J \subset \mathbb{R}\) with complex values, and initial conditions \(y(x_0) = y_0, y'(x_0) = y_1, \ldots, y^{(n-1)}(x_0) = y_{n-1}\).
Using the notation \( w_{n+1} = y^{(n)}, w_n = y^{(n-1)}, ..., w_2 = y', w_1 = y \), the equation (1) can be written in a matrix form as

\[
W' = AW + g
\]  

where:

\[
A = \begin{bmatrix}
0 & 1 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 0 \\
\vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \ldots & 0 & 1 \\
-a_0 & -a_1 & -a_2 & \ldots & -a_{n-2} & -a_{n-1}
\end{bmatrix}, \quad
W = \begin{bmatrix}
w_1 \\
\vdots \\
w_{n-1} \\
w_n
\end{bmatrix}, \quad
g = \begin{bmatrix}
y_0 \\
\vdots \\
f \\
y_{n-2} \\
y_{n-1}
\end{bmatrix}, \quad
W_0 = \begin{bmatrix}
y_0 \\
\vdots \\
f \\
y_{n-2} \\
y_{n-1}
\end{bmatrix},
\]

and the initial conditions are expressed as \( W(x_0) = W_0 \).

We present without proof [4], the following theorem:

**Theorem 1** If in matrix equation (2) the functions \( f, a_0, ..., a_{n-1} \) are continuous on the definition interval \( J \subset R \), then equation (2) has a unique solution \( W(x) \), a column vector, so that \( W(x_0) = W_0 \).

Are defined any \( n \) linear independent solutions of the homogenous system \( W' = AW \) as the fundamental system of solutions. With the linear independent vectors, placed one after the other, one forms a square matrix \( W \) called the fundamental matrix of homogenous system which verifies the matrix equation \( W' = AW \).

**Theorem 2** If \( W \) is any fundamental matrix of system \( W' = AW \), then any solution of this system can be written as \( w = Wc \) where \( c \) is a constant vector; if the initial condition is \( w(x_0) = w_0 \) then the solution is \( w(x) = W(x)W^{-1}(x_0)w_0 \). Any fundamental matrix of system can be deducted from another multiplying at right with a constant matrix.

**Theorem 3** If \( W \) is any fundamental matrix of the system \( w' = Aw \), and \( w(x_0) = w_0 \), then any solution of the inhomogeneous system \( w' = Aw + g \), \( A, g \in C^0(J) \), is \( w(x) = W(x)W^{-1}(x_0)w_0 + W(x) \int_{x_0}^x (W^{-1}g)(t)dt \).

### 2. MATRIX FUNCTIONS

We present in the following paragraphs some details about the matrix functions. For the beginning we consider the polynomial function. If \( A \in M_n \) with proper values \( \lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_n \), then \( A^k \in M_n \), \( k \in N \) and \( p(A) \) is:

\[
p(A) = A^m + b_1A^{m-1} + \ldots + b_{m-1}A + b_m, \quad b_j \in C, \quad j = 1, ..., n
\]  

(3)
For a matrix which admits a diagonal form, that means that there is a matrix $D$ with non zero values only on its diagonal, and an invertible matrix $S$ with $A = SDS^{-1}$ then $A^k = S D^k S^{-1}; p(A) = Sp(D)S^{-1}$, where:

$$p(D) = \begin{bmatrix} p(\lambda_1) & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
\vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & \cdots & 0 & p(\lambda_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

(4)

We extend the matrix function definition for differentiable functions in a domain in $C$ which contains the proper values of $A$. For a closed rectifiable curve $\gamma$ which includes inside a point $\varsigma$, where $g$ is differentiable, but which does not include a singularity of $g$, is known that $g(\varsigma) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} (\varsigma - z)^{-1} g(z)dz$. We define $g(A)$ as $g(A) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} (A - zI)^{-1} g(z)dz$, where $\gamma$ is a closed rectifiable curve which includes the spectrum of $A$, but does not include any singularity of $g$. For the exponential function $g(z) = e^{xz}$, $x, z \in C$, one defines $g(A) = e^{xA}$ as $g(A) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} (A - zI)^{-1} e^{xz}dz$, where $\gamma$ is a closed rectifiable curve which includes the proper values of $A$. We differentiate:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{xA}) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{dx} \left( \int_{\gamma} (A - zI)^{-1} e^{xz}dz \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} (A - zI)^{-1} ze^{xz}dz = Ae^{xA}$$

(5)

because the last integral is the matrix function for $g(z) = ze^{xz}$. We obtain that $e^{xA}$ verifies the matrix equation $W' = AW$ and for $x = 0$ we have $e^{0A} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} (A - zI)^{-1} 1dz = I$, where $I$ is the unit matrix.

The matrix $e^{xA}$ is a fundamental matrix for the differential system: $W' = AW + g$, $A, g \in C^0(J)$ and the general solution, with the initial conditions $w(x_0) = w_0$, is:

$$w(x) = e^{(x-x_0)A}w_0 + e^{xA} \int_{x_0}^{x} e^{-tA} g dt .$$

3. DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH PERIODICAL COEFFICIENTS

Consider the linear homogenous differential system $W' = AW$, $A \in M_n, A \in C^0(J), J \subset R$.

We suppose that there is $p \in R_+$ so that $A(x + p) = A(x)$ for any $x \in J$. The system is periodic with the period $p$. We mention the following theorem (Floquet):

**Theorem 4** If the system $W' = AW$ is periodic, with the period $p > 0$, then any fundamental matrix $W$ of the system, can be expressed as $W(x) = W_1(x)e^{xR}$, where
Theorem 5 (Floquet) If the system $W' = AW$ is periodic, with the period $p > 0$, and $W$, any fundamental matrix of the system, expressed as: $W(x) = W_1(x)e^{tR}$, where $W_1(x) \in M_n$ is a periodical matrix with the period $p$, and $R \in M_n$ is a constant matrix, then, if the proper values of $R$ have negative real part, the solution of the periodical system is asymptotically stable, and if at least a proper value of the matrix $R$ is strictly positive, the solution of the periodical system is unstable. If the proper values of the matrix $R$ have zero real part, then the solution of the periodical system is undecided (stable, unstable or periodical).

Theorem 6 If $y : I \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is a stable solution of the system $y' = Ay$, with matrix of continuous components, defined by parameters, for fixed parameters, there is a neighbourhood of fixed parameters where the solution $y$ is also stable. For an unstable solution of the system we can formulate analogue property.

Proof: We denote the set of parameters of the system by $P$ and the solution of the system $y' = Ay$, for the known initial conditions, by $y(t, P)$. We suppose that the solution $y(t, P)$ is stable but there is not a neighbourhood of fixed parameters where the solution $y$ of the system is also stable. There is a sequence of parameters $P_n \to P$ for which the solution $y(t, P_n)$ is unstable and for which $|y(t, P_n) - \tilde{y}(t, P_n)| > \varepsilon$, where $t$ and $\varepsilon$ are specified values. Because $|y(t, P) - \tilde{y}(t, P)| < \varepsilon$ for any $t > t_0$ and $|v_0 - \tilde{y}_0| < \delta$, from continuity of solution $y$ with $P_n \to P$, is developed a contradiction that verify this theorem.

This theorem is used for separation of the stable and unstable zones in the plane of principal parameters by curves of periodical solutions of the system.

Determining the domain of periodic solutions in the two chosen parameters plane, one determines the image of stability zone in this plane.

We use the following procedure to identify the boundary of the points with periodic solution from the two chosen parameters plane. The fixed domain for analysis, of the
parameters plane, is covered with a sufficient fine mesh and we study the evolution of the specified displacement solution in the mesh points. In the neighborhood of the periodic points of the parameters plane one can use a refined mesh.

5. APPLICATION

The dimensionless system of equations [6] that specifies the state form of the dynamical system described by pantograph and contact wire, is:

\[
(1-\mu)\ddot{y}_3 + 2\varsigma_s \tilde{\omega}_{hs} (\dot{y}_3 - \ddot{y}_2) + \tilde{\omega}_{ns}^2 (\dot{y}_3 - \ddot{y}_2) + \tilde{\omega}_{nl}^2 \dot{y}_3 + 2\varsigma_L \tilde{\omega}_{nl} \dot{\tilde{y}}_3 = 0
\]

\[
\mu \ddot{y}_2 + (1-\mu)\ddot{y}_3 + \tilde{\Omega}_n^2 (\dot{y}_2 - \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [T_j(\tau) + \omega_j] \frac{\sin j\Delta}{j\Delta} \sin j\tau) + \tilde{\omega}_{nl}^2 \ddot{y}_3 + 2\varsigma_L \tilde{\omega}_{nl} \dot{\tilde{y}}_3 = 0
\]

\[
\frac{d^2 T_j}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\nu}^2} \frac{dT_j}{dt} + \left( \frac{\beta_j}{\tilde{\nu}^2} + \frac{j^2}{\tilde{\nu}^2} \right) T_j = -2\tilde{M} (\mu \ddot{y}_2 + (1-\mu)\ddot{y}_3 + \tilde{\omega}_{nl}^2 \dot{y}_3 + 2\varsigma_L \tilde{\omega}_{nl} \dot{\tilde{y}}_3) \sin j\tau ; j=1,...,5
\]

with \(\tilde{\nu}_E^2 = \frac{m L^2}{E I \pi^2} v^2\), \(\tilde{\nu}_T = \frac{m}{\beta L} v^2\), \(\tilde{\nu}_\beta = \frac{m \pi}{\beta L}\), where \(T\) is the tension in the wire and \(\beta\) is the viscous damping of the wire and where we consider the initial conditions for the problem:

\[
\ddot{y}_3 (0) = \tilde{y}_{03}, \ddot{y}_3 (0) = \tilde{y}_{03}, \ddot{y}_2 (0) = \tilde{y}_{02},
\]

\[
\dot{y}_2 (0) = \tilde{y}_{02}, \dot{T}_i (0) = \tilde{T}_0, \ddot{T}_i (0) = \tilde{T}_0
\]

Now we consider the participation of the external forces by additional values in the coefficients of the series development of the contact force between pantograph and contact wire, in the right hand of the third equation from the system.

Are denoted by \(\tilde{A}_j, j \in N\) the additional term of the coefficient for \(\sin j\tau\) that intervene in the third equation of the system (6). In the case of analysis we consider the following fixed values of parameters:

\[
\tilde{\Omega}_n = 4.77, \quad \varsigma_s = 0.3, \quad \tilde{M} = 0.58, \quad \tilde{\nu}_\beta = 6.4,
\]

\[
\mu = 0.1, \quad \tilde{\omega}_{nl} = 0.72, \quad \varsigma_L = 0.45, \quad \tilde{\nu}_E = 85.6
\]

The free dimensionless parameters in the plane of parameters are chosen, in this case, \(\tilde{\lambda}\) and \(\tilde{\nu}_T\), where \(\tilde{\lambda} = \partial_{nl}/\partial_{ns}\). We analyse the stability of motion for mass \(M_u\) with the displacement \(\ddot{y}_2\).

In fig.1 is plotted with continuous line the domain of periodic solutions of \(\ddot{y}_2\) in the two chosen parameters plane in the case \(\tilde{A}_j = 0\) for \(j \in N\) and with discontinuous line the domain of periodic solutions of \(\ddot{y}_2\) in the case \(\tilde{A}_1 = 0.03\) and \(\tilde{A}_j = 0, j \neq 1\).
6. CONCLUSIONS

The method of stability analysis, described by numerical method specified in this paper, has permitted to analyze the influence of external forces on the motion of the pantograph – contact wire dynamical system, modeled as two sprung superposed masses in contact with a wire.

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