

ON MOTION STABILITY RELATIVE TO A PART OF THE VARIABLES UNDER PERSISTENT PERTURBATIONS*

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The problem of stability and asymptotic stability of motion relative to a part of the variables under persistent perturbations is examined for the case when some of the latter may not be sufficiently small. Stability theorems of such kind are proved. A unified method based on a nonlinear change of variables and on differential inequalities is used to derive stability conditions for the motion of a solid body with one fixed point under persistent perturbations.

It is well known that the problem of motion stability relative to a part of the variables (y -stability) for linear systems is equivalent to the problem of Liapunov stability of motion for a certain auxiliary linear system whose dimension can be less than that of the original system. In the present paper a connection is established between the coefficients of the auxiliary system's characteristic equation and the coefficients of the original linear system. This permits a formulation of an algebraic criterion for the asymptotic y -stability of linear stationary systems, of algebraic conditions for complete controllability with respect to a part of the variables of a linear stationary controlled system, as well as of an analog of Popov's criterion yielding conditions of absolute y -stability of the motion of nonlinear controllable systems.

1. Let there be a linear stationary system of ordinary differential equations of perturbed motion

$$\dot{x} = Ax; \quad x = (y_1, \dots, y_m, z_1, \dots, z_p) = (y, z), \quad m > 0, \quad p > 0, \quad n = m + p$$

or, in the variables y, z

$$\dot{y} = Ay + Bz, \quad \dot{z} = Cy + Dz \quad (1.1)$$

where A, B, C, D are constant matrices of appropriate dimensions. Together with system (1.1) we consider the "perturbed" system

$$\dot{y} = Ay + Bz + R_y(t, y, z), \quad \dot{z} = Cy + Dz + R_z(t, y, z) \quad (1.2)$$

where the vector-valued functions R_y, R_z are persistent perturbations that are such that system (1.2) has a solution corresponding to each collection of initial data x_0, t_0 . The components comprising the vector z and the vector-valued function R_z we divide into two groups and we represent z and R_z as $z = (z^+, z^-), R_z = (R_z^+, R_z^-)$.

Definition 1. The motion $x = 0$ of system (1.1) is called $y(z^-)$ -stable if for any number $\varepsilon > 0$ we can find positive numbers $\delta_i(\varepsilon)$ ($i = 1, 2$), such that the inequality

$$t \geq 0, \quad \|y(t; t_0, x_0)\| < \varepsilon, \quad 0 \leq \|z(t; t_0, x_0)\| < +\infty \quad (1.3)$$

is fulfilled on all motions of system (1.2) starting in domain

$$\|y_0\| < \delta_1(\varepsilon), \quad \|z_0^+\| < \delta_1(\varepsilon), \quad 0 \leq \|z_0^-\| < +\infty \quad (1.4)$$

for any values $R(t, y, z)$ satisfying the conditions

$$\|R_y(t, y, z)\| < \delta_2(\varepsilon), \quad \|R_z^+(t, y, z)\| < \delta_2(\varepsilon), \quad (1.5) \\ 0 \leq \|R_z^-(t, y, z)\| < +\infty$$

in domain (1.3). If, in addition $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|y(t; t_0, x_0)\| = 0$, then the motion $x = 0$ of system (1.1) is called asymptotically $y(z^-)$ -stable.

Notes. 1°. If the vector z^- in (1.4) and the vector-valued function R_z^- in (1.5), respectively, the conditions $\|z_0^-\| < \delta_1(\varepsilon)$ and $\|R_z^-(t, y, z)\| < \delta_2(\varepsilon)$, then we shall say that the

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motion $x=0$ of system (1.1) is $y(0)$ -stable. When $m=n$ the definition of $y(0)$ -stability leads to the well-known definition of stability under persistent perturbations /1/, and when $R_y \equiv 0, R_z \equiv 0$ to the definition of y -stability /2/.

2°. The definition of $y(z^-)$ -stability makes sense only when $m < n$. Indeed, the presence in the system of perturbing factors arbitrary in magnitude leads to system (1.2) having equilibrium positions arbitrary in magnitude and, consequently, the problem of $x(z^-)$ -stability makes no sense.

3°. The definition of asymptotic $y(z^-)$ -stability and even of asymptotic $y(0)$ -stability makes sense only when $m < n$ according to /1/.

Consider the matrices

$$K_p = (B^T, D^T, B^T, \dots, D^{T(p-1)}B^T) \quad (1.6)$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} L_1 \\ L_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad L_1 = \begin{pmatrix} E_m & 0 \\ 0 & l_{11} \dots l_{1p} \\ & l_{h1} \dots l_{hp} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.7)$$

where E_m is the unit $m \times m$ -matrix, of size $(l_{11}, \dots, l_{1p})^T, i=1, \dots, h$ are linearly independent column-vectors of matrix K_p, L_2 is an arbitrary $(n-m-h) \times n$ -matrix such that the matrix L is nonsingular, $h = \text{rank } K_p; T$ is the sign of transposition.

Theorem 1. Let the motion $x=0$ of system (1.1) be asymptotically y -stable. If in matrix K_p the rows numbered i_1, \dots, i_N are zero, then this motion is $y(z^-)$ -stable and the variables z_s and the functions R_{z_s} numbered $s = i_1, \dots, i_N$, respectively, occur in the vector z^- and in the vector-valued function R_{z^-} .

Proof. In system (1.1) we make the change of variables $\xi = Lx$, where matrix L is of form (1.7). In the new variables the equations of system (1.1), according to /3,4/, fall into two groups:

$$w' = A_1 w, \quad v' = A_2 v + A_3 v, \quad \xi = (w, v)$$

and the $(m+h)$ -dimensional vector w describing the state of the system

$$w' = A_1 w \quad (1.8)$$

completely determines the behavior of the variables $y = (y_1, \dots, y_m)$ of system (1.1). Together with (1.8) let us consider the system

$$w' = A_1 w + L_1 R, \quad R = (R_y, R_z)$$

According to /3/ the motion $w=0$ of system (1.8) is asymptotically Liapunov stable; therefore /1/, it is stable with respect to all variables under the persistent small perturbations

$L_1 R$. But the function $L_1 R$ does not contain the perturbations $R_{z_s}, s = i_1, \dots, i_N$; therefore, the motion $x=0$ of system (1.1) is $y(z^-)$ -stable, and the variables z_s and the functions R_{z_s} numbered $s = i_1, \dots, i_N$, respectively, occur in the vector z^- and in the vector-valued function R_{z^-} . The theorem is proved.

Corollary. If the motion $x=0$ of system (1.1) is asymptotically y -stable, then it is $y(0)$ -stable.

Example 1. Let the Eqs.(1.1) of perturbed motion be

$$y_1' = -y_1 + z_1 - 2z_2 \quad (1.9)$$

$$z_1' = 4y_1 + z_1 + 2z_2, \quad z_2' = 8y_1 + 2z_1 + 4z_2$$

$$z_3' = 2y_1 + z_1 + z_2 - z_3$$

$$B = (1, 0, -2)$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{rank } K_3 = 1, \quad K_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

In this case the equations

$$w' = A_1 w, \quad A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

comprise system (1.8). The eigenvalues of matrix A_1 have negative real parts and the second row of matrix K_1 is zero; therefore, according to Theorem 1, the motion $y_1 = z_1 = z_2 = z_3 = 0$ of system (1.9) is $y_1(z^-)$ -stable, and $z^- = z_2, R_{z^-} = R_{z_2}$. Thus, the unperturbed motion of system (1.9) is y_1 -stable for any perturbing function R_{z_2} acting on the third equation and for perturbing functions $R_{y_1}, R_{z_1}, R_{z_3}$, sufficiently small in magnitude, acting on the other three equations of this system.

Example 2. Let us consider the equations of perturbed motion of a controllable system in the critical case of two zero roots

$$\begin{aligned} y_i' &= \sum_{k=1}^m a_{ik} y_k + h_i f(\sigma), \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ z_1' &= \gamma_1 f(\sigma), \quad z_2' = \gamma_2 f(\sigma) \\ \sigma &= \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k y_k + \beta_1 z_1 + \beta_2 z_2 + \gamma_0 \end{aligned} \quad (1.10)$$

where $a_{ik}, h_i, \alpha_k, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \beta_1, \beta_2, \gamma_0$ are constants, $f(\sigma)$ is a continuous function satisfying the condition $f(\sigma) > 0, \sigma \neq 0$. We introduce the new variables /5/ $\gamma \mu_1 = \beta_1 z_1 + \beta_2 z_2$, where $\gamma < 0$ is a constant number. System (1.10) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} y_i' &= \sum_{k=1}^m a_{ik} y_k + h_i f(\sigma), \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \mu_1' &= \Gamma f(\sigma), \quad \sigma = \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_k y_k + \gamma \mu_1, \quad \Gamma = \frac{1}{\gamma} (\beta_1 \gamma_1 + \beta_2 \gamma_2) \end{aligned} \quad (1.11)$$

The well-known conditions for the global stability of the unperturbed motion of system (1.11) /6/ will be, according to /5/, sufficient conditions for the global y -stability of the unperturbed motion of system (1.10) for any finite number γ_0 , because the quantity γ_0/γ can be made sufficiently small by making a suitable choice of the quantity γ .

2. Let the vector-valued functions R_y and R_z in system (1.2) be

$$\begin{aligned} R_y &= R_{y0} + R_y^*(t, y, z), \quad R_z = R_{z0} + \\ &R_z^*(t, y, z), \quad R = (R_y, R_z), \quad R^* = (R_y^*, R_z^*). \end{aligned}$$

where R_{y0} and R_{z0} are constant vectors of appropriate dimensions. We assume that $\text{rank } K_p = h$ and by $l_s (s = 1, \dots, h)$ we denote linearly-independent column-vectors of matrix K_p . Without loss of generality we shall take it that all column-vectors of matrix B^T are linearly independent. We consider the system of algebraic equations for determining $\lambda_{ij} (i, j = 1, \dots, h)$

$$D^T l_i = \sum_{j=1}^h \lambda_{ij} l_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, h$$

We assume that

$$l_j^T R_{z0} = \sum_{k=1}^m \lambda_{jk} R_{y0k} + \sum_{l=m+1}^h \lambda_{jl} R_{z0l}, \quad j = 1, \dots, h \quad (2.1)$$

$$|R_i^*(t, y, z)| \leq \sum_{k=1}^m \alpha_{ik} |y_{ik}|, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad (2.2)$$

where α_{ik} are sufficiently small positive constants.

Theorem 2. If the motion $x = 0$ of system (1.1) is asymptotically y -stable, then this motion will be asymptotically $y(0)$ -stable under any sufficiently small perturbations $R_{y0}, l_j^T R_{z0} (j = 1, \dots, h)$ satisfying conditions (2.1) and any perturbations $R^*(t, y, z)$ satisfying conditions (2.2). If, additionally, the rows numbered i_1, \dots, i_N in matrix K_p are zero, then this motion is asymptotically $y(z^-)$ -stable, and the variables z_s and the functions R_{zs} with numbers $s = i_1, \dots, i_N$ occur in, respectively, the vector z^- and the vector-valued function R_{z^-} .

Proof. In view of condition (2.1), after the introduction of the new variables

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_i &= l_i^T z^T + R_{y0i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \mu_{m+j} &= l_{m+j}^T z^T + l_{m+j}^T R_{z0}, \quad j = 1, \dots, h \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

the system

$$y' = Ay + Bz + R_{y0}, \quad z' = Cy + Dz + R_{z0} \quad (2.4)$$

reduces to

$$\eta' = A_1 \eta \quad (2.5)$$

where $\eta = (y, \mu)$ and μ is a h -dimensional vector consisting of the variables (2.3). The reduction of system (2.4) to form (2.5) is similar to the way in which in /3,4/ with $R_0 = 0$ the system (1.1) was reduced to a system of μ -form (1.8). The eigenvalues of matrix A_1 have

negative real parts and, consequently, the motion $\eta = 0$ of system (2.5) are asymptotically Liapunov-stable.

According to [7], when (2.2) is fulfilled the motion $\eta = 0, z = 0$ of the nonlinear system

$$\dot{\eta} = A_1 \eta + L_1 R^*(t, x), \quad \dot{z} = Cy + Dz + R_2^*(t, x)$$

is asymptotically η -stable. Consequently, for any $\varepsilon > 0, t_0 \geq 0$ we can find $\lambda(\varepsilon, t_0) > 0$ such that from $\|\eta_0\| < \lambda, \|z_0\| < \lambda$ follows $\|\eta(t; t_0, \eta_0, z_0)\| < \varepsilon$ for all $t \geq t_0$ and, in addition, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|\eta(t; t_0, \eta_0, z_0)\| = 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. With respect to λ and t_0 we can choose $\delta_i(\lambda, t_0) = \delta_i(\varepsilon, t_0) > 0 (i = 1, 2)$ such that from $\|x_0\| < \delta_1, \|R_{y0}\| < \delta_2, \|l_j^T R_{z0}\| < \delta_2 (j = 1, \dots, h)$ follows $\|\eta(t; t_0, x_0)\| < \lambda$. Then for all $t \geq t_0$ we have $\|y(t; t_0, x_0)\| < \varepsilon$ and, in addition, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|y(t; t_0, x_0)\| = 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. The theorem has been proved.

Example 3. Let the equations of perturbed motion (1.1) be of form

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y}_1 &= -y_1 + z_1 - 2z_2, & \dot{z}_1 &= 4y_1 + z_1, & \dot{z}_2 &= 2y_1 + z_1 - z_2 \\ l_1 &= (1, -2)^T, & D^T &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Since $D^T l_1 = -l_1$, condition (2.1) in the case given becomes

$$R_{z10} - 2R_{z20} = -R_{y10} \quad (2.7)$$

After the introduction of the new variable $\mu_1 = z_1 - 2z_2 + R_{y10}$ the system

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y}_1 &= -y_1 + z_1 - 2z_2 + R_{y10}, & \dot{z}_1 &= 4y_1 + z_1 + R_{z10} \\ \dot{z}_2 &= 2y_1 + z_1 - z_2 + R_{z20} \end{aligned}$$

becomes

$$\dot{y}_1 = -y_1 + \mu_1, \quad \dot{\mu}_1 = -\mu_1$$

Therefore, with the fulfillment of conditions (2.2) the unperturbed motion of system (2.6) is asymptotically $y_1(0)$ -stable in accord with Theorem 2.1.

3. We consider the motion of a heavy body with one fixed point, due to initial and to persistent perturbations. The equations of perturbed motion are

$$\begin{aligned} Ax_1' &= (B - C)x_2x_3 + mg(x_2\gamma_2 - x_3\gamma_3) + A\Phi_i(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) \\ \dot{\gamma}_i &= x_2\gamma_2 - x_3\gamma_3 \quad (i=1, 2, 3, ABC) \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where A, B, C are the body's principle moments of inertia, $x_i (i=1, 2, 3)$ are the projections of the body's angular velocity onto the principal axes of inertia, $\gamma_i (i=1, 2, 3)$ are the projections onto the principal axes of inertia of the unit vector directed along the fixed vertical axis, $x_{i0} (i=1, 2, 3)$ are the coordinates of the body's center of inertia in the principle axes of inertia, $\Phi_i(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) (i=1, 2, 3)$ are the continuous persistent perturbations, $\Phi_i(t, 0, 0, 0) \equiv 0 (i=1, 2, 3)$. We shall study the stability of the unperturbed motion of system (3.1) under a number of assumptions on the form of the functions $\Phi_i (i=1, 2, 3)$.

1°. $\Phi_i(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = \alpha_i x_i, \alpha_i = \text{const}, x_{i0} (i=1, 2, 3)$, i.e., system (3.1) has the form

$$Ax_1' = \alpha_1 x_1 + (B - C)x_2x_3 \quad (i=1, 2, 3, ABC) \quad (3.2)$$

We introduce the new variable $\mu_1 = (B - C)x_2x_3/A$. Under the condition $C < A < B$ or $C > A > B$ we have the following estimations for system (3.2):

a) $x_1' = \alpha_1 x_1 + \mu_1$

$$\mu_1' = (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3)\mu_1 + x_1 \frac{B-C}{A} \left[\frac{C-A}{B} x_3^2 + \frac{A-B}{C} x_2^2 \right] \leq (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3)\mu_1$$

in the domain

$$0 \leq x_1 \leq H, \quad 0 < |x_i| < +\infty \quad (i=2, 3) \quad (3.3)$$

b) $x_1' = \alpha_1 x_1 + \mu_1, \mu_1' \geq (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3)\mu_1$ in the domain

$$-H \leq x_1 \leq 0, \quad 0 \leq |x_i| < +\infty \quad (i=2, 3) \quad (3.4)$$

From the estimations a) and b) it follows that the variable $x_1(t)$ in system (3.2) is described by the equation

$$x_1' = \alpha_1 x_1 + \varphi(t), \quad |\varphi(t)| \leq x_2(t_0) x_3(t_0) \exp(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3)t$$

therefore, under the condition $\alpha_1 < 0, \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 < 0$ the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$ of system (3.2) is asymptotically globally x_1 -stable. If $\alpha_1 = 0, \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 < 0$ or $\alpha_1 < 0, \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0$, then from estimations a) and b) follows the x_1 -stability of the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$.

Theorem 3. Let one of the three conditions

$$C < A < B, \quad B < A < C, \quad A = B \neq C \quad (3.5)$$

be fulfilled. If $\alpha_1 < 0, \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 < 0$, then the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$ of system (3.2) is globally asymptotically x_1 -stable. If $\alpha_1 < 0, \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0$ or $\alpha_1 = 0, \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 < 0$, then this motion is (nonasymptotically) x_1 -stable.

2°. $\Phi_i(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = \alpha_i(t)x_i, \alpha_i(t)$ is piecewise continuous functions $t, x_{i0} = 0 (i = 1, 2, 3)$. System (3.1) has the form

$$Ax_1' = \alpha_1(t)x_1 + (B - C)x_2x_3 \quad (123, ABC) \quad (3.6)$$

Under the condition $C < A < B$ or $C > A > B$, for system (3.6) we have the estimations

$$x_1' = \alpha_1(t)x_1 + \mu_1, \quad \mu_1' \leq [\alpha_2(t) + \alpha_3(t)]\mu_1 \text{ in domain (3.3)}$$

$$x_1' = \alpha_1(t)x_1 + \mu_1, \quad \mu_1' \geq [\alpha_2(t) + \alpha_3(t)]\mu_1 \text{ in domain (3.4)}$$

Therefore, the variable $x_1(t)$ in system (3.6) is described by the equation

$$x_1' = \Gamma_1(t)x_1 + \varphi_1(t), \quad |\varphi_1(t)| \leq x_2(t_0)x_3(t_0) \exp \int_{t_0}^t \Gamma_2(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\Gamma_1(t) = \alpha_1(t), \quad \Gamma_2(\tau) = \alpha_2(\tau) + \alpha_3(\tau)$$

and, consequently, the inequality

$$|x_1(t)| \leq |x_1(t_0)| \left\{ \exp \int_{t_0}^t \Gamma_1(s) ds \right\} + \int_{t_0}^t \exp \left\{ \int_s^t \Gamma_1(\tau) d\tau \right\} \left\{ x_2(t_0)x_3(t_0) \int_{t_0}^s \Gamma_2(\theta) d\theta \right\} ds \quad (3.7)$$

is fulfilled.

Theorem 4. Let one of the three conditions (3.5) be fulfilled. If

$$\int_{t_0}^t \Gamma_i(\tau) d\tau < A_i, \quad A_i = \text{const} \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

$$\int_{t_0}^t \Gamma_i(\tau) d\tau \rightarrow -\infty, \quad t \rightarrow \infty$$

then the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$ of system (3.6) is globally asymptotically x_1 -stable.

The proof follows from inequality (3.7).

3°. $\Phi_1(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = f_1(x_1)$, where $f_1(x_1)$ is a continuous function in the domain $|x_1| \leq H$; $\Phi_i(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = \alpha_i x_i, \alpha_i = \text{const} (i = 2, 3); x_{i0} = 0 (i = 1, 2, 3)$. System (3.1) has the form

$$x_1' = f_1(x_1) + \frac{B-C}{A} x_2 x_3, \quad x_2' = \alpha_2 x_2 + \frac{C-A}{B} x_1 x_3, \quad (3.8)$$

$$x_3' = \alpha_3 x_3 + \frac{A-B}{C} x_1 x_2$$

Under condition $C < A < B$ or $C > A > B$ we have the estimates

$$x_1' = f_1(x_1) + \mu_1, \quad \mu_1' = (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) \mu_1 \text{ in domain (3.3)} \quad (3.9)$$

$$x_1' = f_1(x_1) + \mu_1, \quad \mu_1' = (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) \mu_1 \text{ in domain (3.4)}$$

for system (3.8). Let us consider the system

$$\xi_1' = f_1(\xi_1) + \xi_2, \quad \xi_2' = (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) \xi_2 \quad (3.10)$$

which is the comparison system for (3.9).

Theorem 5. Let one of the following two conditions be fulfilled: $C < A < B$ or $C > A > B$. If $(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) f_1(\xi_1) \xi_1 > 0, f_1(\xi_1)/\xi_1 + (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) < 0 (\xi_1 \neq 0)$

$$\int_0^{\xi_1} (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) f_1(\xi_1) d\xi_1 \rightarrow \infty, \quad |\xi_1| \rightarrow \infty$$

then the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$ of system (3.8) is globally asymptotically x_1 -stable.

Proof. Under the fulfillment of the theorem's conditions the motion $\xi_1 = \xi_2 = 0$ of system (3.10) is globally asymptotically Liapunov-stable /8/; therefore, according to /9,10/, the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$ of system (3.8) is globally asymptotically x_1 -stable. The theorem is proved.

We consider the case $\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0$. Then the behavior of the variable $x_1(t)$ in system (3.8) is determined, in view of estimations (3.9), by the equation

$$\dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1) + \varphi_2(t), \quad |\varphi_2(t)| \leq x_2(t_0)x_3(t_0)$$

According to the theorem on stability of motion under persistent perturbations /1/, the question of the x_1 -stability of the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$ of system (3.8) reduces to the question of the asymptotic Liapunov-stability of the motion $\xi = 0$ of the system $\dot{\xi} = f_1(\xi)$.

$$4^\circ. \quad \Phi_1(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = f_1(x_1); \quad \Phi_i(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = f_i(x_2, x_3) \quad (i = 2, 3); \quad x_{i0} = 0; \quad f_i \quad (i = 1, 2, 3)$$

are functions in domain $|x_i| \leq H \quad (i = 1, 2, 3)$, continuous in all variables. System (3.1) has the form

$$Ax_1' = f_1(x_1) + (B - C)x_2x_3 \quad (123 \text{ ABC}) \quad (3.11)$$

Under the condition $C < A < B$ or $C > A > B$ we have the estimates

$$\dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1) + \mu_1, \quad \mu_1 \leq x_2f_3 + x_3f_2 \text{ in domain (3.3)} \quad (3.12)$$

$$\dot{x}_1 = f_1(x_1) + \mu_1, \quad \mu_1 \geq x_2f_3 + x_3f_2 \text{ in domain (3.4)}$$

for system (3.11). Assume that

$$x_2f_3 + x_3f_2 = \psi(\mu_1) \quad (3.13)$$

where $\psi(\mu_1)$ is a continuous function in domain $|\mu_1| \leq H$.

Theorem 6. If the motion $\xi_1 = \xi_2 = 0$ of system

$$\dot{\xi}_1 = f_1(\xi_1) + \xi_2, \quad \dot{\xi}_2 = \psi(\xi_2)$$

is globally asymptotically Liapunov-stable, then the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$ of system (3.11) is globally asymptotically x_1 -stable.

The proof follows from (3.12), (3.13) and the results in /9,10/.

$$5^\circ. \quad \Phi_i(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = \alpha_i x_i, \quad \alpha_i = \text{const} \quad (i = 1, 2, 3); \quad x_{i0} = x_{20} = 0, \quad x_{30} \neq 0, \quad A = B \neq C.$$

Theorem 7. If conditions $\alpha_1 < 0$, $\alpha_3 < 0$, $\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 < 0$ are fulfilled, the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = \gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = \gamma_3 = 0$ of system (3.1) is $(x_1, x_3, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3)$ -stable.

Proof. Under the assumptions made the estimates

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= \alpha_1 x_1 + \mu_1 + \dot{\varphi}_3(t) \\ \mu_1 &\leq (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) \mu_1 - \varphi_4(t) \text{ in domain (3.3)} \\ \mu_1 &\geq (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) \mu_1 - \varphi_4(t) \text{ in domain (3.4)} \\ (\varphi_3(t) &= \frac{1}{A} mgx_{30}\gamma_2, \quad \varphi_4(t) = -\frac{A-C}{A^2} mgx_{30}\gamma_1x_3) \end{aligned}$$

are valid for system (3.1). In view of the presence of the first integral $\gamma_1^2 + \gamma_2^2 + \gamma_3^2 = 1$ for system (3.1), its unperturbed motion is $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3)$ -stable. Since $\alpha_3 < 0$, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, $t_0 \geq 0$ we can find $\delta(\varepsilon, t_0) > 0$ such that from $|x_i(t_0)| < \delta$, $|\gamma_i(t_0)| < \delta \quad (i = 1, 2, 3)$ follows $|\varphi_i(t)| < \varepsilon \quad (i = 3, 4)$ for all $t \geq t_0$. Consequently, the motion $\xi_1 = \xi_2 = 0$ of system

$$\dot{\xi}_1 = \alpha_1 \xi_1 + \xi_2, \quad \dot{\xi}_2 = (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) \xi_2$$

is stable under small constant perturbations $\varphi_i(t) \quad (i = 3, 4)$ and, according to /9,10/, the motion $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = \gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = \gamma_3 = 0$ of system (3.1) is $(x_1, x_3, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3)$ -stable. The theorem is proved.

In conclusion let us show that the x_1 -stability of the unperturbed motion of system (3.1), proved in paragraphs 1^o-5^o, is a more general concept than the x_1 -stability defined by Rumiantsev in /2/. Indeed, in paragraphs 1^o-5^o it was shown that for any number $\varepsilon > 0$ we can find a positive number $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that from

$$\begin{aligned} |x_1(t_0)| &< \delta, \quad |x_2(t_0)x_3(t_0)| < \delta \\ x_0 &= (x_1(t_0), x_2(t_0), x_3(t_0)) \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

follows $|x_1(t; t_0, x_0)| < \varepsilon$ for all $t \geq t_0$. The second inequality in (3.14) is possible when

$$|x_2(t_0)| < \delta_1, \quad |x_3(t_0)| < \Delta$$

or when

$$|x_2(t_0)| < \Delta, \quad |x_3(t_0)| < \delta_1$$

where δ_1 is sufficiently small and Δ is some finite (not small) number. Consequently, the initial perturbations in the determination of the x_1 -stability of the unperturbed motion of system (3.1) need not be sufficiently small, as was assumed in /2/.

4. Let us formulate algebraic criteria for the asymptotic y -stability of the motion $x = 0$ of system (1.1). We assume that $\text{rank } K_p = h$ and we consider a matrix Q_1 ($i = 1, \dots, 5$) of the following form:

- a) the rows of the size $h \times p$ -matrix Q_1 are the linearly-independent column-vectors of matrix K_p ;
- b) the columns of the size $h \times h$ -matrix Q_2 are the linearly-independent column-vectors of matrix Q_1 (let these columns of matrix Q_1 have the numbers i_1, \dots, i_h);
- c) the row numbered i_s ($s = 1, \dots, h$) of the size $(n - m) \times h$ -matrix Q_3 in the row numbered s of matrix Q_2^{-1} , while the remaining rows of matrix Q_3 are zero;

$$d) Q_4 = \begin{vmatrix} E_m & 0 \\ 0 & Q_1 \end{vmatrix}, \quad Q_5 = \begin{vmatrix} E_m & 0 \\ 0 & Q_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Q_2^{-1} is the matrix inverse to matrix Q_2 ; E_m is the unit size $m \times m$ -matrix.

Theorem 4.1. For the asymptotic y -stability of the motion $x = 0$ of system (1.1) it is necessary and sufficient that all the roots of the equation

$$|Q_4 A^* Q_5 - \lambda E_{m+h}| = 0 \quad (4.1)$$

have negative real parts.

Proof. According to [3], the problem of the y -stability of motion for (1.1) is equivalent to the Liapunov-stability problem for a certain auxiliary stationary linear system $\dot{\xi} = G\xi$ (we call it a system of μ -form) of dimension $m + h$. Here the elements g_{ij} of matrix G are the elements numbered $i, j = 1, \dots, m + h$ of the matrix LA^*L^{-1} in which L is of form (1.7). We denote the elements of matrix L^{-1} by $\{\bar{l}_{ij}\}$ ($i, j = 1, \dots, n$). Since the columns numbered i_1, \dots, i_h of matrix Q_1 , and thus also the columns numbered $m + i_s$ ($s = 1, \dots, h$) of matrix L_1 , are linearly independent, matrix L can be represented in the form

$$L = \begin{vmatrix} E_m & 0 \\ 0 & Q_1 \\ 0 & L_3 \end{vmatrix}, \quad L_1 = \begin{vmatrix} E_m & 0 \\ 0 & Q_1 \end{vmatrix}, \quad L_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & L_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

and the columns numbered i_1, \dots, i_h in matrix L_3 can be taken to be zero, while the remaining elements of matrix L_3 can be chosen such that $|L| \neq 0$. We take into account that

$$l_{ij}^- = [(-1)^{i+j} L_{ji}] / |L| \quad (i, j = 1, \dots, n)$$

where L_{ji} is a minor of the determinant $|L|$ of matrix L , obtained from $|L|$ by the deletion of the j th row and the i th column. In addition, permutations of the columns in a square matrix can change only the sign of its determinant, i.e.,

$$|L| = \begin{vmatrix} E_m & 0 \\ 0 & Q_1 \\ 0 & L_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} E_m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Q_2 & L_4 \\ 0 & 0 & L_5 \end{vmatrix} (-1)^k$$

where k is the number of permutations made of the column-vectors in matrix L , and in matrices L_4 and L_5 there occur, respectively, only those columns of matrix Q_1 that are not contained in Q_2 and in the nonzero matrices L_3 . We shall have

$$\bar{l}_{ij}^- = \begin{cases} 1, & i = j \\ 0, & i \neq j; \quad i, j = 1, \dots, m \end{cases}$$

$$l_{ij}^- = 0 \quad (i = 1, \dots, m; \quad j = m + 1, \dots, m + h)$$

$$(i = m + i_s, \quad s = 1, \dots, h; \quad j = 1, \dots, m)$$

$$(i = m + i_s, \quad s \neq 1, \dots, h; \quad j = 1, \dots, m + h)$$

$$l_{m+i_s, m+h}^- = [(-1)^{s+h} Q_{2ks}] / |Q_2| \quad (k, s = 1, \dots, h)$$

(Q_{2ks} is the minor of determinant $|Q_2|$ resulting from the deletion of the k -th row and the s th column in $|Q_2|$). Therefore,

$$Q_5 = \|l_{ij}^-\| \quad (i = 1, \dots, n; \quad j = 1, \dots, m + h)$$

and, consequently

$$Q_4 A^* Q_5 = \|g_{ij}\| \quad (i, j = 1, \dots, m + h)$$

The theorem is proved.

Note. Equation (4.1) is the characteristic equation of the system of μ -form equations introduced in /3/. Therefore, in Theorem (4.1), in contrast to the result in /3/, we have established a direct algorithmic connection between the form of the coefficients in system (1.1) and the conditions for its y -stability.

Example 4. Let system (1.1) be of form (2.6). In this case $m = 1$ and $p = 2$, while

$$\text{rank}(B^T, D^T B^T) = \text{rank} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 1$$

We set up the matrices Q_i ($i = 1, \dots, 5$)

$$Q_1 = \|1 - 2\|, \quad Q_2 = \|1\|, \quad Q_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ Q_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q_4 A^* Q_5 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equation (4.1) becomes

$$|Q_4 A^* Q_5 - \lambda E_2| = (\lambda + 1)^2 = 0 \quad (4.2)$$

The roots of Eq.(4.2) are negative; therefore, the motion $y_1 = z_1 = z_2 = 0$ of system (2.6) is asymptotically y_1 -stable.

5. Let us obtain sufficient conditions for the complete controllability with respect to a part of the variables (complete y -controllability /4,11/) for the linear controlled system

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= A^* x + B^* u; \quad x = (y_1, \dots, y_m, z_1, \dots, z_p) = \\ &(y, z), \quad m > 0, \quad p > 0, \quad n = m + p \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

in which x is the system's n -dimensional state vector; $u = (u_1, \dots, u_r)$ is the r -dimensional control vector; A^*, B^* are constant matrices of appropriate dimensions.

Theorem 5.1. If

$$\text{rank}(Q_4 B^*, Q_4 A^* Q_5 Q_4 B^*, \dots, (Q_4 A^* Q_5)^{m+h-1} Q_4 B^*) = m + h \quad (5.2)$$

then system (5.1) is completely y -controllable.

Proof. In system (5.1) we make the change of variables $\zeta = L_1 x$, $x = (y, z)$. According to Theorem (4.1) the behavior of the variables occurring in vector ζ , is described by the equation

$$\zeta' = Q_4 A^* Q_5 \zeta + Q_4 B^* u \quad (5.3)$$

Under the fulfillment of (5.2) system (5.3) is completely controllable /11/ and, consequently, system (5.1) is completely y -controllable. The theorem is proved.

6. Let us obtain sufficient conditions for the absolute y -stability /5/ for the non-linear controllable systems /6/

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= A^* x + b f(\sigma), \quad \sigma = e x \\ x &= (y_1, \dots, y_m, z_1, \dots, z_p) = (y, z), \quad m > 0 \\ p &> 0, \quad n = m + p \end{aligned}$$

or, in variables y, z

$$y' = Ay + Bz + b_1 f(\sigma), \quad z' = Cy + Dz + b_2 f(\sigma), \quad \delta = e_1 y + e_2 z \quad (6.1)$$

where $f(\sigma)$ is an arbitrary and continuous function satisfying the condition $0 \leq \sigma f(\sigma) \leq k\delta^2$, $A, B, C, D, b_1, b_2, e_1, e_2$ are constant matrices and vectors of appropriate dimensions. We assume that

$$\text{rank}(B^*, D^T B^*, \dots, D^T p^{-1} B^*) = \text{rank } K_p^* = h$$

where $B^* = \|B^T, e_2^T\|$, and by applying rules a)–e) from Sect.4, we construct matrices Q_i^* ($i = 1, \dots, 5$). (Rules a)–e) from Sect.4 are fulfilled here with the sole difference that in a) we need to take the matrix K_p^* instead of K_p).

Theorem 6.1. Let a real number q (without loss of generality we can assume that $q \geq 0$) exist such that the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k} + \text{Re}(1 + qi\omega) W(i\omega) &> 0 \\ (W(i\omega) = (e Q_5^*) (Q_4^* A^* Q_5^* - i\omega E_{m+h}) Q_4^* b) \end{aligned}$$

is fulfilled for all $\omega \geq 0$. Then the motion $x = 0$ of system (6.1) is absolutely y -stable.

Proof. As in Theorem (4.1) we can show that the equations

$$\dot{\zeta} = Q_4 A^* Q_3 \zeta + Q_4^* b f(\sigma), \quad \sigma = \epsilon Q_3^* \zeta \quad (6.2)$$

are a system of μ -form equations /5/ for (6.1), while the function $W(i\omega)$ is the frequency characteristic of the linear part of system (6.2). According to Popov's criterion /12/ and to the result in /5/, the motion $x = 0$ of system (6.1) is absolutely y -stable. The theorem is proved.

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