

## *h*-STABILITY FOR LINEAR IMPULSIVE DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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ABSTRACT. We study the *h*-stability for linear impulsive differential equations and their perturbations by using the impulsive integral inequalities.

### 1. Introduction

Recently, stability theory of impulsive differential equations has been popularly applied in variety fields of science and technology: theoretical physics, mechanics, population dynamics, pharmacokinetics, impulse technique, industrial robotics, chemical technology, biotechnology, economics, etc.

Impulsive differential equations and application were introduced by some authors: A. M. Samoilenko and N. A. Perestyuk [11], V. Lakshmikantham, D. D. Bainov and P. S. Simeonov[7], Bainov and Simeonov[1, 3].

Pinto [9] introduced the notion of *h*-stability with the intention of obtaining results about stability for a weakly stable system (at least, weaker than those given exponential asymptotic stability) under some perturbations.

In this paper we examine the *h*-stability for linear impulsive differential equations at fixed moments and their perturbations by using impulsive inequality of Gronwall type.

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### 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\mathbb{R}^n$  be the  $n$ -dimensional real Euclidean space and  $|\cdot|$  denotes the norm on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{n_0, n_0 + 1, \dots\}$  ( $n_0$  is a fixed nonnegative integer).

Let  $\nu = \{t_k\}_{k=1}^\infty \subset [t_0, \infty)$  be an unbounded and increasing sequence. Denoted by  $PC([t_0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n)$  the set of functions  $\varphi : [t_0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  which are continuous for  $t \in [t_0, \infty) \setminus \nu$ , are continuous from the left for  $t \in [t_0, \infty)$ , and have discontinuities of the first type at the points  $t_k$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

We consider the linear impulsive system

$$\begin{cases} x' = A(t)x, & t \neq t_k, \\ \Delta x = B_k x, & t = t_k, \\ x(t_0^+) = x_0, \end{cases} \tag{2.1}$$

where  $A \in PC([t_0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n)$ , and its perturbed linear system with fixed moments of impulse

$$\begin{cases} y' = A(t)y + C(t)y, & t \neq t_k, \\ \Delta y = B_k y + R_k y, & t = t_k, \\ y(t_0^+) = y_0, \end{cases} \tag{2.2}$$

where  $C \in PC([t_0, \infty), \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n)$ , and  $B_k, R_k$  are  $n \times n$  matrices.

We assume that the solution  $y(t)$  of system (2.2) is left continuous at the moments of impulsive effect  $t_k$ , i.e.,  $y(t_k^-) = y(t_k)$ , and  $\Delta y(t_k) = y(t_k^+) - y(t_k)$ .

LEMMA 2.1. [2, Theorem 1.5] *Let  $(t_0, x_0) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then the following statements hold:*

1. *There exists a unique solution of equation (2.1) with  $x(t_0^+) = x_0$  (or  $x(t_0) = x_0$ ) and this solution is defined for  $t > t_0$  (or  $t \geq t_0$ ).*
2. *If  $\det(E + B_k) \neq 0$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then this solution is defined for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

The next result follows from a simple calculation.

LEMMA 2.2. [2] *Each solution  $y(t)$  of (2.2) satisfies the integro-summary equation*

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) = & W(t, s)y(s) + \int_s^t W(t, \tau)C(\tau)y(\tau)d\tau \\ & + \sum_{s < \tau_k < t} W(t, \tau_k^+)R_k y(\tau_k), \quad t \geq s, \end{aligned}$$

where  $W(t, s)$  is a Cauchy matrix for equation (2.1).

LEMMA 2.3. [2, Lemma 1.4] *suppose that for  $t \geq t_0$  the inequality*

$$u(t) \leq c + \int_{t_0}^t b(s)u(s)ds + \sum_{t_0 \leq \tau_k < t} \beta_k u(\tau_k) \tag{2.3}$$

*holds, where  $u \in PC(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $b \in PC(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^+)$  and  $\beta_k \geq 0$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $c$  are constants. Then we have*

$$(2.4) \quad u(t) \leq c \prod_{t_0 \leq \tau_k < t} (1 + \beta_k) \exp\left(\int_{t_0}^t b(s)ds\right)$$

$$(2.5) \quad \leq c \exp\left(\int_{t_0}^t b(s)ds + \sum_{t_0 \leq \tau_k < t} \beta_k\right), \quad t \geq t_0.$$

We will prove that under a general "small" mean condition on the perturbations  $C$  and  $R_k$ , *h*-stability of system (2.1) is inherited by the perturbed system (2.2).

DEFINITION 2.4. [6, Definition 2.5] The zero solution  $v = 0$  of (2.1) (or system (2.1)) is called *h*-stable if there exist a positive bounded left continuous function  $h : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and a constant  $c \geq 1$  such that

$$\|x(t, t_0, x_0)\| \leq c \|x_0\| h(t)h(t_0)^{-1}, \quad t \geq t_0 \tag{2.6}$$

for  $x_0$  small enough (here  $h(t)^{-1} = \frac{1}{h(t)}$ ).

We need the following assumption for our lemmas.

(A<sub>1</sub>): Let  $\lambda : N_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  be a function that satisfies

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda_m(n) < \gamma < \infty, \quad m \in N \text{ fixed}, \tag{2.7}$$

where

$$\Lambda_m(n) = \frac{1}{m+1} \sum_{s=n}^{n+m} \lambda(s). \tag{2.8}$$

LEMMA 2.5. [8, Lemma 1] *Suppose that  $\lambda : N_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is a function. Then*

$$\sum_{s=n}^M \lambda(s) \leq \sum_{s=n-m}^M \Lambda_m(s)$$

*for all  $M \geq n \geq m$ , with  $m \in N$  fixed.*

In the following lemmas we will use the norms

$$\|\Lambda_m\|_\infty = \sup_{n \geq n_0} \left\{ \frac{1}{m+1} \sum_{s=n}^{n+m} |\lambda(s)| : m \in N \text{ fixed} \right\} \tag{2.9}$$

and

$$\|\Lambda\|_\infty = \sup_{t \geq t_0} \left\{ \int_t^{t+1} |\lambda(s)| ds \right\}, \tag{2.10}$$

respectively.

LEMMA 2.6. [8, Lemma 2] *Assume that  $\lambda$  satisfies condition  $(A_1)$ . Then there exists  $M \geq m$  big enough such that for all  $n \geq M \geq m$*

$$\sum_{s=n_0}^n \lambda(s) \leq \|\Lambda_m\|_\infty(m + 1 + M) + \gamma(n - n_0), \quad n \geq n_0. \tag{2.11}$$

We need the following result as the continuous version of Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 [9].

LEMMA 2.7. [8, Lemma 3] *Let  $\lambda : [t_0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  be a function satisfying*

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(t) < \beta < \infty,$$

where  $\Lambda(t) = \int_t^{t+1} \lambda(s) ds$ . Then

1.  $\int_{t_0}^t \lambda(s) ds \leq \int_{t_0-1}^t \Lambda(s) ds$  for all  $t \geq t_0 - 1$ .
2. for each  $\beta_1 > \beta$  there exists  $T > t_0$  such that

$$\int_{t_0}^t \lambda(s) ds \leq \|\Lambda\|_\infty(T + 1) + \beta_1(t - t_0), \quad t > t_0.$$

Also, we need the following assumption for our lemma.  
 $(A_2)$ :

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_t^{t+1} |C(s)| ds = \gamma_1 < \infty,$$

and

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m + 1} \sum_{s=n}^{n+m} |R_s| = \gamma_2 < \infty, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}.$$

REMARK 2.8. *In order to prove Theorem 3.1, we will use the following fact:*

*If  $t_{n_0-1} < t_0 < t_{n_0} < \dots < t_n < t \leq t_{n+1}$ , then it follows from Lemma 2.6 that*

$$\sum_{t_0 < t_k < t} |R_k| \leq d_2 + \gamma_2(n - n_0).$$

If, in addition, we assume that

(A<sub>3</sub>): If the moments  $\{t_k\}$  satisfy  $t_k - t_{k-1} \geq \theta > 0, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$\sum_{t_0 < t_k < t} |R_k| \leq d_2 + \gamma_2(t - t_0), t > t_0.$$

### 3. Main results

**THEOREM 3.1.** Assume that conditions (A<sub>1</sub>)-(A<sub>3</sub>) hold, and the zero solution  $x = 0$  of (2.1) is  $h$ -stable. If  $\frac{\log h(t)}{t} \leq -c(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)$  for each  $t > 0$ , then the zero solution  $y = 0$  of the (2.2) is  $h$ -stable.

*Proof.* It follows from Lemma 2.2 that the solution  $y(t)$  of (2.2) is given by

$$y(t) = W(t, t_0^+)y_0 + \int_{t_0}^t W(t, s)C(s)y(s)ds + \sum_{t_0 < t_k < t} W(t, t_k)R_k y(t_k), t \geq t_0.$$

Then, we have

$$|y(t)| \leq ch(t)h(t_0)^{-1}|y_0| + \int_{t_0}^t ch(t)h(s)^{-1}|C(s)||y(s)|ds + \sum_{t_0 < t_k < t} ch(t)h(t_k)^{-1}|R_k||y(t_k)|, t \geq t_0.$$

Letting  $\nu(t) = \frac{|y(t)|}{h(t)}$ , we obtain

$$\nu(t) \leq c\nu(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t c|C(s)|\nu(s)ds + \sum_{t_0 < t_k < t} c|R_k|\nu(t_k).$$

By the Gronwall impulsive inequalities of Lemma 2.3, we obtain

$$\nu(t) \leq c\nu(t_0)\exp\left[\int_{t_0}^t c|C(s)|ds + \sum_{t_0 < t_k < t} c|R_k|\right], t > t_0.$$

In view of Lemma 2.6 and Lemma 2.7, and condition (A<sub>3</sub>), we obtain

$$|y(t)| \leq c|y_0|h(t)h(t_0)^{-1}\exp[d_1 + c\gamma_1(t - t_0) + d_2 + c\gamma_2(t - t_0)], t \geq t_0,$$

where  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are constants. Thus we have

$$|y(t)| \leq c_1|y_0|H(t)H(t_0)^{-1}, t \geq t_0,$$

where  $c_1 = c \exp(d_1 + d_2)$  and  $H(t) = e^{c(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)t} h(t)$ . Since  $\frac{\log h(t)}{t} \leq -c(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)$  for each  $t > 0$ , it is easy to show that  $H(t)$  is a positive bounded left continuous function. Hence the zero solution  $y = 0$  of (2.2) is  $h$ -stable. The proof is complete.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 3.2.** *If  $(\int_{t_0}^\infty |C(s)| + \sum_{t_0 < t_k < t} |R_k|) < \infty$ , then the zero solution  $y = 0$  of (2.2) is  $h$ -stable.*

In order to obtain  $h$ -stability of solutions of nonlinear impulsive differential systems, we need the following assumption.

(A<sub>4</sub>):

- (i)  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is continuous in  $(t_{k-1}, t_k] \times \mathbb{R}^n$  and for every  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n, n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\lim_{(t,x) \rightarrow (t_k,y)} f(t,x) \text{ exists for } t > t_k.$$

In addition, there exists  $\lambda \in PC(\mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R})$  such that

$$|f(t,y)| \leq \lambda(t)|y|$$

for  $(t,y) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $\lambda$  satisfies Lemma 2.7.

- (ii) For every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $B_k$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, and  $I_k : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is continuous, and satisfies

$$|I_k(y)| \leq \lambda_k |y|, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, \lambda_k > 0,$$

where the sequence  $\lambda_k$  satisfies condition (A<sub>1</sub>).

We consider nonlinear impulsive differential system

$$\begin{cases} y' = A(t)y + f(t,y), & t \neq t_k, \\ \Delta y = B_k y + I_k y, & t = t_k, \\ y(t_0^+) = y_0, \end{cases} \tag{3.1}$$

where  $f(t, 0) = 0$ .

We can obtain the various stability results from Theorem 3.1.

**COROLLARY 3.3.** *Suppose that the assumptions of Theorem 3.1 hold. Let  $\alpha$  be a positive constant.*

1. *If  $h(t) = e^{-\alpha t}$  for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$  in Theorem 3.1, then the zero solution  $y = 0$  of (2.2) is  $h$ -stable [8, Theorem 1].*
2. *If we set  $h(t)=c$  for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , then the zero solution  $y = 0$  of (2.2) is uniformly stable.*
3. *If  $h(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then the zero solution  $y = 0$  of (2.2) is asymptotically stable.*

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Assume that conditions  $(A_4)$  holds, If the zero solution  $x = 0$  of 2.1 is *h*-stable with condition  $\frac{\log h(t)}{t} \leq -c(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)$ , for each  $t > 0$ , then the zero solution  $y = 0$  of (3.1) is *h*-stable.*

The proof of Theorem 3.4 can be proved in a similar manner as that of Theorem 3.1. So we omit the proof.

**COROLLARY 3.5.** *Assume that the ordinary differential system:*

$$x'(t) = A(t)x(t)$$

*is h-stable. Furthermore, suppose that  $f, I_k(k \in \mathbb{N})$  and  $h(t)$  satisfy the hypothesis of Theoreme 3.4. Then the impulsive system*

$$\begin{aligned} y'(t) &= A(t)y(t) + f(t, y), \quad t \neq t_k, \\ \Delta y(t_k) &= I_k(y), \quad t = t_k. \end{aligned}$$

*is h-stable.*

To illustrate our results, we will give an example about *h*-stability of linear impulsive differential system.

**EXAMPLE 3.6.** [8, Example] *Let  $t_{k+1} - t_k = T, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and let  $a, b, \omega$  be constants. We consider the linear impulsive differential system*

$$\begin{cases} x' = A(t)x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega \\ -\omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} x, \quad t \neq t_k, \\ \Delta x = B_k x_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{a}{\omega} & b \end{bmatrix} x_k, \quad t = t_k, \\ x(t_0^+) = x_0, \end{cases} \tag{3.2}$$

where

$$A(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega \\ -\omega & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_k = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{a}{\omega} & b \end{bmatrix};$$

and its perturbed linear impulsive system

$$\begin{cases} y' = (A(t) + C(t))y = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega \\ -\omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{-t} \\ e^{-t^2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) y, \quad t \neq t_k, \\ \Delta y = (B_k + R_k)y_k = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{a}{\omega} & b \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2^{-k} & d \\ \frac{1}{k} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) y_k, \quad t = t_k, \\ y(t_0^+) = y_0, \end{cases} \tag{3.3}$$

where

$$C(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{-t} \\ e^{-t^2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R_k = \begin{bmatrix} 2^{-k} & d \\ \frac{1}{k} & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If  $-2 + \left| \frac{a}{\omega} \sin \omega T \right| < b < 0$ , then the multipliers of system (3.2) are the modules less than 1 (see [1]), and there exist a constant  $c \geq 1$  and a positive bounded continuous function  $h : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$|W(t, s)| \leq ch(t)h(t_0)^{-1}, \quad t \geq t_0 \geq 0,$$

where  $W(t, t_0)$  is a Cauchy matrix of (3.2) and  $h(t) = e^{-\alpha t}$  for some  $\alpha > 0$ . Also, the solution  $x(t, t_0, x_0) = W(t, t_0)x_0$  of equation (3.2) satisfies

$$|x(t, t_0, x_0)| \leq c|x_0|h(t)h(t_0)^{-1}, \quad t > t_0.$$

Furthermore, for a suitable norm, we have

$$\gamma_1 = \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m+1} \sum_{k=n}^{n+m} |R_k| = |d|$$

and

$$\gamma_2 = \overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_t^{t+1} |C(s)| ds = 0.$$

If  $\frac{\log h(t)}{t} = -\alpha \leq -c|d|$  for each  $t > 0$ , then the zero solution  $y = 0$  of (3.3) is  $h$ -stable by Theorem 3.1.

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