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ON FUNCTIONAL INTEGRABILITY OF SOLUTIONS OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH DEVIATING ARGUMENT

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In papers [2] and [3] there are investigated asymptotic properties of functionally integrable solutions of some forms of differential equations. In this paper some results of the above papers are generalized for a more general differential equation.

Consider the differential equation of n -th order of the form

$$(G_{n-1}x(t))' + f(t, x(g(t))) = h(t), \quad (1)$$

where $n \geq 2$ and G_{n-1} is a differential operator defined by

$$G_{n-1}x(t) = a_{n-1}(t)(a_{n-2}(t)(\dots(a_1(t)x'(t))' \dots)'),$$

where the functions

$$\begin{aligned} a_i: [t_0, \infty) \rightarrow R, & \quad h: [t_0, \infty) \rightarrow R, \\ f: [t_0, \infty) \times R \rightarrow R, & \quad g: [t_0, \infty) \rightarrow R_+ \end{aligned}$$

are continuous functions and

$$a_i(t) > 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1, \quad g'(t) \geq 0, \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) = \infty.$$

We introduce the notation:

$$G_0x(t) = x(t), \quad G_i x(t) = a_i(t)(G_{i-1}x(t))', \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1, \quad (2)$$

$$J_{m-1}(t, s) = \int_s^t \frac{ds_2}{a_2(s_2)} \int_s^{s_2} \frac{ds_3}{a_3(s_3)} \dots \int_s^{s_{m-1}} \frac{ds_m}{a_m(s_m)} \quad (3)$$

from $m = 2, 3, \dots, n-1$

$$J_0(t, s) = 1.$$

We restrict our attention to non-trivial solutions of (1) which exist on the interval $[t_0, \infty)$.

A solution $x(t)$ is called oscillatory, if it has an infinite sequence of zeros tending to infinity. Otherwise, we call $x(t)$ a non-oscillatory solution.

Definition. A solution $x(t)$ of (1) belongs to the class $L(m, W(\cdot))$, if

$$0 < \int_{t_0}^{\infty} s^m W(|x(s)|) ds < \infty, \quad m\text{-real number,}$$

where $W: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $W(|u|) \geq 0$ is a given continuous non-decreasing function.

If in the above definition we put $m=0$ and $W(u) = u^p$, $p > 0$, then we obtain the well-known class $L(0, |\cdot|^p) = L_p(0, \infty)$, i.e.

$$0 < \int_0^{\infty} |u(s)|^p ds < \infty.$$

Lemma 1. Let $a_i(t) > 0$ on $[t_0, \infty)$. Then there exist positive constants α_i such that

$$J_i(t, s) \leq \alpha_i J_{i+1}(t, s) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n-3, \quad t > s \geq t_0.$$

Proof. See in paper [1], Lemma 1.

Lemma 2. Let $J_{m-1}(t, t_0) \leq K \cdot t^{m-1}$, $K > 0$, $a_1(t) > \varrho > 0$. If the function $u(t)$ satisfies the following conditions

$$|G_m u(t)| \leq M \quad \text{for } t \geq t_0 \quad \text{and } m \geq 1, \quad (4)$$

$$u \in L(m-1, W(\cdot)), \quad (5)$$

then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t) = 0$.

Proof. From definition and condition (5) it follows that $\liminf_{t \rightarrow \infty} |u(t)| = 0$. We shall prove that also $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} |u(t)| = 0$. Suppose that $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} |u(t)| > \varepsilon > 0$. Then there exists a sequence $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ such that $t_n \rightarrow \infty$, $\alpha_n \rightarrow \infty$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\alpha_n < t_n$, $|u(t_n)| > \varepsilon$, $|u(\alpha_n)| = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ and for every $t \in (\alpha_n, t_n)$ $|u(t)| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. Let $\alpha_1 \geq t_0 > 1$. In each interval (α_n, t_n) there exists a number ξ_n such that

$$u'(\xi_n) = \frac{u(t_n) - u(\alpha_n)}{t_n - \alpha_n},$$

hence

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{2(t_n - \alpha_n)} \leq |u'(\xi_n)| \quad (6)$$

From relation (4), using Lemma 1 and the assumption about $J_{m-1}(t, t_0)$ we obtain

$$|a_1(t)u'(t)| \leq K_1 t^{m-1},$$

whence

$$|u'(t)| \leq K_2 t^{m-1}.$$

With regard to the stated, from relation (6) we obtain

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{2K_2} \leq t_n^m - \alpha_n^m. \quad (7)$$

Since $|u(t)| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ for every $t \in (\alpha_n, t_n)$, then from (5) and (7) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \infty &> \int_0^\infty s^{m-1} W(|u(s)|) ds \geq \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_{\alpha_n}^{t_n} s^{m-1} W(|u(s)|) ds \geq \\ &\geq W\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{t_n^m - \alpha_n^m}{m} = \infty. \end{aligned}$$

This contradiction proves that the case of $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} |u(t)| > \varepsilon > 0$ is impossible.

Therefore $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t) = 0$.

Remark 1. If $a_1(t) = a_2(t) = \dots = a_{n-1}(t) = 1$, then we obtain Lemma 1 from [2].

Let us start with the assumptions:

$$|f(t, u)| \geq a(t) |W(u)|, \quad u \cdot W(u) > 0 \quad \text{for } u \neq 0 \quad (A_1)$$

$$|f(t, u)| \leq b(t) W(|u|) \quad (A_2)$$

$$|f(t, u)| \leq b(t) [W(|u|)]^{1/p}, \quad p > 1 \quad (A_3)$$

where the functions $a, b: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$, $W: R \rightarrow R$, $W(|u|) \geq 0$ are continuous and $W(u)$ is a non-decreasing function.

Theorem 1. Let (A_2) hold and moreover assume that

$$J_{n-2}(t, t_0) \leq Kt^{n-2}, \quad a_1(t) > \varrho > 0 \quad (8)$$

$$h \in L(0, |\cdot|), \quad b(t) \leq Mg'(t)g^{n-2}(t), \quad (9)$$

for sufficiently large t , where M is a positive constant.

Then every solution $x \in L(n-2, W(\cdot))$ of (1) satisfies

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$$

Proof. Let $x(t)$ be a solution of (1) belonging to the class $L(n-2, W(\cdot))$. In view of Lemma 2 we shall prove that the function $G_{n-1}x(t)$ is bounded. Integrating (1) from t_0 to t we obtain

$$G_{n-1}x(t) = G_{n-1}x(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t h(s) ds - \int_{t_0}^t f(s, x(g(s))) ds, \quad (10)$$

whence, taking into account the assumptions of the theorem,

$$|G_{n-1}x(t)| \leq |G_{n-1}x(t_0)| + \int_{t_0}^t |h(s)| ds + \int_{t_0}^t b(s) W(|x(g(s))|) ds \leq$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq |G_{n-1}x(t_0)| + \int_{t_0}^t |h(s)| \, ds + M \int_{t_0}^t g'(s)g^{n-2}(s)W(|x(g(s))|) \, ds \leq \\ &\leq A + M \int_{g(t_0)}^{g(t)} s^{n-2}W(|x(s)|) \, ds \leq B. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 2 we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$.

Remark 2. If $n = 2$, we obtain theorem 4 from [3]. If $a_i(t) = 1$ for $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$, we obtain theorem 2 from [2] for $m = 0$.

Theorem 2. Let (A_3) , (8), (9) hold and let moreover

$$\frac{b^p(t)}{g'(t)g^{n-2}(t)} \in L(0, |\cdot|^{1/p-1}), \quad g'(t) > 0, \quad g(t) > 0 \quad \text{for } t \geq t_0.$$

Then every solution $x \in L(n - 2, W(\cdot))$ of (1) satisfies $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$.

Proof. Let $x(t)$ be an arbitrary solution of (1) belonging to the class $L(n - 2, W(\cdot))$. From (A_3) and Holder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{t_0}^t |f(s, x(g(s)))| \, ds \leq \int_{t_0}^t b(s)[W(|x(g(s))|)]^{1/p} \, ds = \\ &= \int_{t_0}^t \frac{b(s)}{[g'(s)g^{n-2}(s)]^{1/p}} \cdot [g'(s)g^{n-2}(s)W(|x(g(s))|)]^{1/p} \, ds \leq \\ &\leq \left(\int_{t_0}^t \left[\frac{b^p(s)}{g'(s)g^{n-2}(s)} \right]^{1/p-1} \, ds \right)^{p-1/p} \cdot \left(\int_{t_0}^t g'(s)g^{n-2}(s)W(|x(g(s))|) \, ds \right)^{1/p} = \\ &= \left(\int_{t_0}^t \left[\frac{b^p(s)}{g'(s)g^{n-2}(s)} \right]^{1/p-1} \, ds \right)^{p-1/p} \cdot \left(\int_{g(t_0)}^{g(t)} s^{n-2}W(|x(s)|) \, ds \right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

From (10) we have

$$|G_{n-1}x(t)| \leq |G_{n-1}x(t_0)| + \int_{t_0}^t |h(s)| \, ds + \int_{t_0}^t |f(s, x(g(s)))| \, ds,$$

Whence, utilizing the last inequality and the assumption of the theorem, we have

$$|G_{n-1}x(t)| \leq B_1,$$

where B_1 is constant. In view of Lemma 2 it follows that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = 0$.

Remark 3. If $n = 2$, we obtain theorem 3 from [3]. If $a_i(t) = 1$ for $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$, we obtain theorem 3 from [2].

Theorem 3. Let (A_3) be and moreover assume that

$$\frac{b^p(t)}{g'(t)g^m(t)} \in L(0, |\cdot|^{1/p-1}) \quad \text{for } m \in \mathbb{R}, \quad g'(t) > 0, \quad g(t) > 0$$

for $t \geq t_0$. If $\left| \int_{t_0}^{\infty} h(s) ds \right| = \infty$, then every oscillatory solution $x(t)$ of (1) does not belong to the class $L(m, W(\cdot))$.

Proof. Let $x(t)$ be the arbitrary oscillatory solution of (1). Then the function $G_{n-1}x(t)$ is also oscillatory. Let $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a non-decreasing sequence of consecutive zeros of $G_{n-1}x(t)$. Integrating (1) between t_n and t_{n+1} we have

$$\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} h(s) ds = \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(s, x(g(s))) ds,$$

whence

$$\int_{t_1}^{\infty} h(s) ds = \int_{t_1}^{\infty} f(s, x(g(s))) ds.$$

Taking into account the assumptions of the theorem and Holder's inequality, we have

$$\left| \int_{t_1}^{\infty} h(s) ds \right| \leq \left(\int_{t_1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{b^p(s)}{g'(s)g^m(s)} \right]^{1/p-1} ds \right)^{p-1/p} \cdot \left(\int_{g(t_1)}^{\infty} s^m W(|x(s)|) ds \right)^{1/p},$$

whence it follows that $x \notin L(m, W(\cdot))$.

Remark 4. If $m = n - 2$, $a_i(t) = 1$ for $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$, we obtain theorem 4 from [2].

Theorem 4. Let (A_1) , (9) hold and $uf(t, u) > 0$ for $u \neq 0$. Let moreover

$$a(t) \geq \gamma g'(t)g^m(t) > 0 \tag{12}$$

for sufficiently large t , where $\gamma > 0$, $m \in \mathbb{R}$ and

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} \frac{ds}{a_i(s)} = \infty \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n - 1. \tag{13}$$

Then every non-oscillatory solution $x(t)$ of (1) belongs to the class $L(m, W(\cdot))$.

Proof. Let $x(t)$ be a non-oscillatory solution of (1) and let $x(t) > 0$ eventually (the case when $x(t) < 0$ can be treated similarly). Let $T \geq t_0$ be sufficiently large so that $x(g(t)) > 0$ for $t \geq T$. Integrating equation (1) from T to $t \geq T$ we obtain

$$G_{n-1}x(t) - G_{n-1}x(T) + \int_T^t f(s, x(g(s))) ds = \int_T^t h(s) ds \tag{14}$$

Since (9) holds, the right-hand side of (14) is finite as $t \rightarrow \infty$. If

$$\int_T^{\infty} f(s, x(g(s))) ds = \infty, \quad \text{then } G_{n-1}x(t) \rightarrow -\infty \quad \text{for } t \rightarrow \infty$$

and because (13) holds we easily obtain the contradiction with the assumption $x(t) > 0$.

Let

$$\int_T^\infty f(s, x(g(s))) ds < \infty.$$

Using (A₁), (12) successively we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \infty &> \int_T^\infty f(s, x(g(s))) ds \cong \int_T^\infty a(s)W(x(g(s))) ds \cong \\ &\cong \gamma \int_{g(T)}^\infty s^m W(x(s)) ds, \quad \text{hence } x \in L(m, W(\cdot)). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

Remark 5. If $a_i(t) = 1$ for $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$, we obtain theorem 1 from [2].

Theorem 5. Let (A₂), (9) be satisfied and moreover assume that

$$\int_{t_0}^\infty \frac{ds}{a_i(s)} < \infty \quad \text{for } i = 2, \dots, n - 1 \quad (15)$$

$$b(t) \cong Mg'(t)g^m(t),$$

$$\int_{t_0}^\infty s^m a_1^2(s) ds = \infty \quad \text{for } m \in R. \quad (16)$$

Then for arbitrary two solutions $x_1(t)$ and $x_2(t)$ of (1) such that

$$|\sqrt{W(|x_1(t)|)}x_2'(t) - x_1'(t)\sqrt{W(|x_2(t)|)}| \cong k > 0 \quad (17)$$

for $t \cong t_0 > 0$ we have

$$x_1 \in L(m, W(\cdot)) \Rightarrow x_2 \notin L(m, W(\cdot)).$$

Proof. Let there exist two solutions $x_1(t)$ and $x_2(t)$ of equation (1) for which (17) is true and $x_i \in L(m, W(\cdot))$ for $i = 1, 2$.

From (1) we obtain

$$|G_{n-1}x_i(t)| \cong |G_{n-1}x_i(t_0)| + M \int_{g(t_0)}^{g(t)} s^m W(|x_i(s)|) ds + \int_{t_0}^t |h(s)| ds,$$

thereby

$$|G_{n-1}x_i(t)| \cong B \quad \text{for every } t \cong t_0.$$

In view of assumption (15), we have

$$|a_1(t)x_i'(t)| \cong B_1 \quad \text{for } t \cong t_0 > 0,$$

where B_1 is a positive constant.

We estimate now

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(t) &= \int_{t_0}^t [\sqrt{W(|x_1(s)|)} x_2'(s) - x_1'(s) \sqrt{W(|x_2(s)|)}]^2 \cdot a_1^2(s) s^m ds \leq \\
 &\leq B_1^2 \int_{t_0}^t s^m W(|x_1(s)|) ds + B_1^2 \int_{t_0}^t s^m W(|x_2(s)|) ds + \\
 &\quad + 2B_1^2 \int_{t_0}^t \sqrt{W(|x_1(s)|)} s^{m/2} \cdot \sqrt{W(|x_2(s)|)} s^{m/2} ds
 \end{aligned}$$

whence, utilizing Holder's inequality ($p = 2, q = 2$) we have

$$I(t) \leq B_1^2 \left[\sqrt{\int_{t_0}^t s^m W(|x_1(s)|) ds} + \sqrt{\int_{t_0}^t s^m W(|x_2(s)|) ds} \right]^2.$$

Since $x_i \in L(m, W(\cdot))$, we have

$$I(t) \leq C \tag{18}$$

where C is a real constant.

Since (17) holds, we have

$$I(t) \geq k^2 \int_{t_0}^t s^m a_1^2(s) ds,$$

whence in view of (16), $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} I(t) = \infty$, which contradicts (18). This completes the proof of the theorem.

Remark 6. If $n = 2, h(t) = 0$, we obtain theorem 1 from [3].

Theorem 6. *Let the assumptions of theorem 5 be satisfied. Then any solution $x(t)$ of (1) such that*

$$W(|x(t)|)x'^2(t) > k, \tag{19}$$

does not belong to the class $L(m, W(\cdot))$.

Proof. Let $x(t)$ be a solution of (1) for which (19) holds and let $x(t)$ belong to the class $L(m, W(\cdot))$. Likewise as in theorem 5 we prove that there exists a constant B_1 such that

$$|a_1(t)x'(t)| \leq B_1.$$

We estimate

$$I_1(t) = \int_{t_0}^t W(|x(s)|)x'^2(s)s^m a_1^2(s) ds \leq B_1^2 \int_{t_0}^t s^m W(|x(s)|) ds \leq C \tag{20}$$

but in view of (19)

$$I_1(t) \geq k \cdot \int_{t_0}^t s^m a_1^2(s) ds.$$

In view of (16) $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} I_1(t) = \infty$, which contradicts (20). The proof of Theorem 6 is complete.

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О ФУНКЦИОНАЛЬНОЙ ИНТЕГРИРУЕМОСТИ РЕШЕНИЙ ДИФФЕРЕНЦИАЛЬНЫХ УРАВНЕНИЙ С ЗАПАЗДЫВАНИЕМ

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Резюме

В статье даются достаточные условия, при которых неколеблущиеся или колеблущиеся решения нелинейного дифференциального уравнения n -того порядка с запаздыванием (1) принадлежат или не принадлежат классу $L(m, W(\cdot))$, даются также условия стремления к нулю при $t \rightarrow \infty$ решений (1), принадлежащих классу $L(n-2, W(\cdot))$.