

ON ASYMPTOTIC BEHAVIOR OF SOLUTIONS OF THREE-DIMENSIONAL  
LINEAR DIFFERENCE SYSTEMS WITH DEVIATING ARGUMENTS

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**Abstract.** In the paper the following linear differential system

$$\begin{aligned}x'_i(t) &= p_i(t) x_{i+1}(\tau_{i+1}(t)) \quad (i = 1, 2), \\x'_3(t) &= p_3(t) x_1(\tau_1(t)),\end{aligned}$$

is considered, where  $p_i \in L_{\text{loc}}(R_+; R_+)$ ,  $\tau_i \in C(R_+, R_+)$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \tau_i(t) = +\infty$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ).

Sufficient conditions of new type are established for oscillation of solutions of the above system.

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## 1. Introduction

This work concerns the study of oscillatory properties of the system

$$\begin{aligned}x'_i(t) &= p_i(t) x_{i+1}(\tau_{i+1}(t)) \quad (i = 1, 2), \\x'_3(t) &= p_3(t) x_1(\tau_1(t)),\end{aligned}\tag{1.1}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}p_i &\in L_{\text{loc}}(R_+; R_+), \quad \tau_i \in C(R_+, R_+), \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \tau_i(t) &= +\infty \quad (i = 1, 2, 3) \quad \text{and} \quad \tau'_3(t) \geq 0 \quad \text{for} \quad t \in R_+.\end{aligned}\tag{1.2}$$

The problem of oscillation of solutions of high order differential equations is well studied (see, for example, [1–4]). Analogous results for systems (1.1), where  $p_3 \in L_{\text{loc}}(R_+; R_-)$  is considered in [5].

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $t_0 \in R_+$ . A continuous vector function  $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i=1}^3 : [t_0; +\infty) \rightarrow R^3$  is said to be a proper solution of system (1.1) if it is locally continuous,  $\sup\{\|x(s)\| : s \in [t_0; +\infty)\} > 0$  for  $t \geq t_0$ , there exists a function  $\mathbf{x}^* \in C(R_+; R^3)$  such that  $\mathbf{x}^* \equiv \mathbf{x}(t)$  on  $[t_0, +\infty)$ , and the equalities

$$\begin{aligned}x'_i(t) &= p_i(t) x_{i+1}^*(\tau_{i+1}(t)) \quad (i = 1, 2), \\x'_3(t) &= p_3(t) x_1^*(\tau_1(t)),\end{aligned}$$

hold for  $t \geq t_0$ .

**Definition 1.2.** A proper solution of the system (1.1) is said to be oscillatory if every component of at solution has a sequence of zeroes tending to  $+\infty$ . Otherwise

the solution is said to be nonoscillatory.

**2. Sufficient conditions for oscillation of solutions**

Below, we will assume that the following conditions

$$\int_0^{+\infty} p_i(t) dt = +\infty \quad (i = 1, 2), \tag{2.1}$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} p_3(t) \int_0^{\tau_1(t)} p_1(s) \int_0^{\tau_2(s)} p_2(\xi) d\xi ds dt = +\infty \tag{2.2}$$

and

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \tau_3'(t) \left( \int_0^t p_2(s) ds \right) h(\tau_3(t)) h(\tau_1(\tau_3(t))) dt = +\infty \tag{2.3}$$

hold, where

$$h(t) = \int_0^t p_1(s) ds. \tag{2.4}$$

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let the conditions (1.2), (2.1)–(2.3) be fulfilled and for any  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$*

$$\limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \left( \liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} (h(t))^{-\lambda - \delta_{2\varepsilon}(\lambda)} \int_0^t p_1(s) (h(\sigma(s)))^{\delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda) + \delta_{2\varepsilon}(\lambda)} \int_{\tau_2(s)}^{+\infty} \left( \int_{\tau_2(s)}^\xi p_2(\xi_1) d\xi_1 \right) \right. \\ \left. \times p_3(\tau_3(\xi)) \tau_3'(\xi) (h(\tau_1(\tau_3(\xi))))^{\lambda - \delta_{1\varepsilon}} d\xi ds \right) > 1.$$

*Then each proper solution of the system (1.1) either is oscillatory or satisfies the conditions*

$$|x_i(t)| \uparrow +\infty \quad (i = 1, 2, 3), \tag{2.5}$$

where

$$\sigma(t) = \bar{\sigma}(\bar{\tau}_2(t)), \quad \bar{\tau}_2(t) = \inf \{ \min(s, \tau_2(s)) : s \geq t \}, \tag{2.6}$$

$$\bar{\sigma}(t) = \inf \{ \min(s, \tau_1(\tau_3(s))) : s \geq t \},$$

$$\delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } \lambda = 0, \\ \varepsilon & \text{for } \lambda \in (0, 1], \end{cases} \quad \delta_{2\varepsilon}(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } \lambda = 1, \\ \varepsilon & \text{for } \lambda \in [0, 1). \end{cases} \tag{2.7}$$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let the conditions (1.2), (2.1)–(2.3) be fulfilled and*

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{h(\sigma(t))}{h(t)} > 0. \tag{2.8}$$

If, moreover, for any  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \left( \liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} (h(t))^{-\lambda - \delta_{2\varepsilon}(\lambda)} \int_0^t p_1(s) (h(s))^{\delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda) + \delta_{2\varepsilon}(\lambda)} \int_{\tau_2(s)}^{+\infty} \left( \int_{\tau_2(s)}^{\xi} p_2(\xi_1) d\xi_1 \right) \times p_3(\tau_3(\xi)) \tau_3'(\xi) (h(\tau_1(\tau_3(\xi))))^{\lambda - \delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda)} d\xi ds \right) > 1,$$

then each proper solution of the system (1.1) either is oscillatory or satisfies the condition (2.5), where the functions  $h, \sigma, \delta_{1\varepsilon}, \delta_{2\varepsilon}$  are defined by (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7).

**Theorem 2.3.** Let the conditions (1.2), (2.1)–(2.3), (2.8) be fulfilled and for any  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \left( \liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} (h(t))^{1 - \lambda + \delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda)} \times \int_{\tau_2(t)}^{+\infty} \left( \int_{\tau_2(t)}^{\xi} p_2(\xi_1) d\xi_1 \right) p_3(\tau_3(\xi)) \tau_3'(\xi) (h(\tau_1(\tau_3(\xi))))^{\lambda - \delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda)} d\xi \right) > \lambda.$$

Then each proper solution of the system (1.1) either is oscillatory or satisfies the condition (2.5), where the functions  $h, \delta_{1\varepsilon}$  are defined by (2.4) and (2.7).

**Theorem 2.4.** Let the conditions (1.2), (2.1)–(2.3), (2.8) be fulfilled and there exist  $c_* > 0$  and  $\tau_* > 0$  such that

$$p_2(t) \geq c_* p_1(t) \quad \text{for } t \in R_+ \quad \text{and} \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{h(\tau_2(t))}{h(t)} = \tau_*. \quad (2.9)$$

If, moreover for any  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \left( \liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} (h(t))^{1 - \lambda + \delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda)} \int_t^{+\infty} h(s) p_3(\tau_3(s)) \tau_3'(s) (h(\tau_1(\tau_3(s))))^{\lambda - \delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda)} ds \right) > \frac{\lambda(2 - \lambda)}{c_* \tau_*^\lambda},$$

then each proper solution of the system (1.1) either is oscillatory or satisfies the condition (2.5).

**Theorem 2.5.** Let the conditions (1.2), (2.1)–(2.3), (2.8), (2.9) be fulfilled and for any  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \left( \liminf_{t \rightarrow +\infty} h(t) \int_t^{+\infty} (h(s))^{1 - \lambda + \delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda)} p_3(\tau_3(s)) \tau_3'(s) (h(\tau_1(\tau_3(s))))^{\lambda - \delta_{1\varepsilon}(\lambda)} ds \right) > \frac{\lambda(1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)}{c_* \tau_*^\lambda}.$$

Then each proper solution of the system (1.1) either is oscillatory or satisfies the condition (2.5).

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $\alpha_i, c_i \in (0, +\infty)$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ). Then for every proper solution of the system

$$\begin{aligned}x'_i(t) &= c_i x_{i+1}(\alpha_{i+1} t) \quad (i = 1, 2), \\x'_3(t) &= \frac{c_3}{t^3} x_1(\alpha_1 t),\end{aligned}$$

either is oscillatory or satisfies the condition (2.5), if only if the inequality

$$c_1 c_2 c_3 \alpha_1^{-1} \alpha_3^{-1} > \max \{ \lambda(1 - \lambda)(2 - \lambda)(\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3)^{-\lambda} : \lambda \in [0, 1] \}$$

holds.

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