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RIASSUNTO. — Si studiano effetti delle perturbazioni sulla stabilità parziale per insiemi antinvarianti asintoticamente.

§ 1. INTRODUCTION

In [1], we obtained a characterization of the non-uniform partial asymptotic exponential stability of an invariant set in terms of Lyapunov functionals. In addition we constructed smooth Lyapunov functionals for the generalized partial asymptotic equi-exponential stability of an invariant set relative to a dealy system.

In this paper we investigate the behaviour of perturbed non-linear differential systems with delay whenever the unperturbed system has non-uniform partial asymptotic exponential stability property for some kind of invariant sets. We also use our result in [1] to find conditions for the generalized partial asymptotic equi-exponential stability property to be preserved under certain perturbations. Our results generalize some results of [2] and complements [1].

§ 2. NOTATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

We shall consider the functional differential system

$$(I) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{v}(t) = f(t, v_t, w_t) \\ \dot{w}(t) = g(t, v_t, w_t) \end{cases} \quad v_{t_0} = \phi_0, \quad w_{t_0} = \psi_0$$

where $t \in \mathbb{R}^+ = [0, \infty)$, $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $w \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and f, g are continuous functions from $\mathbb{R}^+ \times C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n \times C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^m))$ into $\mathbb{R}^n$ and $\mathbb{R}^m$ respectively, $C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$ being the space of continuous functions from $[-h, 0]$ into $\mathbb{R}^n$. Here for $h > 0$, $l^n = C([-h, 0], \mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\|\phi\|_0 = \max_{-h \leq s \leq 0} \|\phi(s)\|$, $\|\cdot\|$ being any convenient norm in $\mathbb{R}^n$. If $(t_0, \phi, \psi) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times l^n \times l^m$, we denote by $v_t(t_0; \phi, \psi)$ and $w_t(t_0; \phi, \psi)$ the solution of (I) such that $v_{t_0} = \phi$ and $w_{t_0} = \psi$. For $t \geq t_0$, $v_t(t_0; \phi, \psi) \in l^n$ and $w_t(t_0; \phi, \psi) \in l^m$.

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Along with (1) we consider the perturbed system

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{y}(t) = f(t, y_t, z_t) + G(t, y_t, z_t) \\ \dot{z}(t) = g(t, y_t, z_t) + F(t, y_t, z_t) \end{cases}$$

where $G(t, \phi, \psi)$ and $F(t, \phi, \psi)$ are continuous mappings from $R^+ \times C([-h, 0], R^n) \times C([-h, 0], R^m)$ into R^n and R^m respectively. We assume in addition that $\|G(t, 0, 0)\|_0 + \|F(t, 0, 0)\|_0 \equiv 0$.

We denote by $y_t(t_0; \phi, \psi)$ and $z_t(t_0; \phi, \psi)$ a solution of (2) such that $y_{t_0} = \phi$ and $z_{t_0} = \psi$.

For the definitions of ϕ -asymptotic self-invariance (ϕ -ASI), ψ -asymptotic self-invariance (ψ -ASI) and asymptotic self-invariance of the set $\phi = 0$, $\psi = 0$ with respect to the system (1) see [1, § 2]. Moreover the partial equi-stability and the partial equi-exponential asymptotic stability properties of the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0$, $\psi = 0$ with respect to the system (1) are defined as in [1] as well. The generalized partial equi-exponential asymptotic stability property of the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0$ and $\psi = 0$ with respect to (1) is defined in [1].

DEFINITION 2.1. The ASI set $u = 0$ of the scalar differential equation

$$(3) \quad \frac{du}{dt} = g(t, u), \quad u(t_0) = u_0 > 0$$

where $g \in C(R^+ \times R^+, R^+)$ is said to be equistable if for each $t_0 \in R^+$, there exists $M(t_0, \tau) > 0$ and $q \in \mathcal{L}$ where $\mathcal{L}$ is as defined in [1], such that

$$u(t; t_0, u_0) \leq M(t_0, \tau) u_0 + q(t_0); \quad t \geq t_0.$$

§ 3. PERTURBATION RESULTS

We shall now use our results in [1] to investigate the behaviour of the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0$, $\psi = 0$ under constantly acting perturbations. We give sufficient conditions for the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0$, $\psi = 0$ to be partially equistable, or partially equi-exponential asymptotic stable with respect to the system (2) when the system (1) possesses the partial equi-exponential asymptotic stability property. We also give conditions for the preservation of generalized partial equi-exponential asymptotic stability of the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0$, $\psi = 0$ under such perturbations.

THEOREM 3.1. Assume that

(i) the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0$, $\psi = 0$ of the system (1) is partially equi-exponential asymptotically stable and any two solutions

$$(v_t(t_0; \phi_1, \psi_1), w_t(t_0; \phi_1, \psi_1))$$

and

$$(v_t(t_0; \phi_2, \psi_2), w_t(t_0; \phi_2, \psi_2))$$

of (I) satisfy

$$\|v_t(t_0; \phi_1, \psi_1) - v_t(t_0; \phi_2, \psi_2)\| \leq K(t_0, \tau) (\|\phi_1 - \phi_2\|_0 + \|\psi_1 - \psi_2\|_0) e^{-\alpha(t-t_0)}$$

(ii) the system (2) admits a unique solution and for $t \geq t_0$ $(t, \phi, \psi) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times C_\rho \times C_\beta$,

$$\|G(t, \phi, \psi)\|_0 + \|F(t, \phi, \psi)\|_0 \leq \omega(t, \|\phi\|_0)$$

where $\omega \in C(\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R}^+)$ and is non-decreasing in u for each $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

(iii) the function $H(t, t_0)$ is partially differentiable with respect to t_0 and

$$\sup_{\delta \geq 0} \left\{ -\frac{\partial H}{\partial t_0}(t + \delta, t) e^{\alpha \delta} \right\} \leq \eta(t)$$

where $\eta \in C(\mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R}^+)$ and $\int_t^{t+1} \eta(s) ds \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Then the equi-stability of the ASI set $u = 0$ of the scalar differential equation

$$(4) \quad \frac{du}{dt} = -\alpha u + K(t, \tau) \omega(t, u) + \eta(t), \quad u(t_0) = u_0 > 0$$

implies the partial equi-stability of the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0, \psi = 0$ of the perturbed system (2).

Proof. Assume that $u = 0$ is ASI with respect to (4) and equistable, then

$$u(t, t_0, u_0) \leq M(t_0, \tau) u_0 + q(t_0), \quad t \geq t_0,$$

where $u_0 > 0, q \in \mathcal{L}$ and $M \in C(\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R}^+)$. Let $0 < \varepsilon \leq \rho$, then there exists $T(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that $q(t_0) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, if $t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon)$. For $t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon)$,

choose $u_0 < \frac{\varepsilon}{2M(t_0, \tau)}$, then

$$u(t; t_0, u_0) < \varepsilon, \quad \text{for } t \geq t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon)$$

provided $u_0 < \frac{\varepsilon}{2M(t_0, \tau)}$.

Let $y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0), z_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)$ be any solution of the perturbed system

(2) such that $\|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0 < \frac{\varepsilon}{2K(t_0, \tau)M(t_0, \tau)}$ and for $t \geq T(\varepsilon)$.

Setting $\phi = y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)$ and $\psi = z_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)$ we have by uniqueness of solutions $y_{t+h}(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0) = y_{t+h}(t_0; \phi, \psi) h \geq 0$ and $z_{t+h}(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0) = z_{t+h}(t_0; \phi, \psi)$.

Let $v_{t+h}(t; \phi, \psi), w_{t+h}(t; \phi, \psi)$ ($h \geq 0$) be a solution of (I) through (t, ϕ, ψ) , then provided $\|v_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)\| < \rho$ and $\|w_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)\|_0 < \beta$ for $t \geq t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon)$, by the Theorem 2.7 of [1] there exists a Lyapunov functional $W(t, \phi, \psi)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} D^+ W(t, \phi, \psi)_{(2)} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Sup} \frac{1}{h} [W(t+h, y_{t+h}(t; \phi, \psi), z_{t+h}(t; \phi, \psi)) \\ &\quad - W(t+h, v_{t+h}(t; \phi, \psi), w_{t+h}(t; \phi, \psi)) \\ &\quad + W(t+h, v_{t+h}(t; \phi, \psi), w_{t+h}(t; \phi, \psi)) - W(t, \phi, \psi)] \\ &\leq D^+ W(t, \phi, \psi)_{(1)} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Sup} \frac{1}{h} [K(t+h, \tau) \{\|y_{t+h} - v_{t+h}\|_0 + \\ &\quad + \|z_{t+h} - w_{t+h}\|_0\}] \\ &\leq D^+ W(t, \phi, \psi)_{(1)} + K(t, \tau) \{\|y'(t; \phi, \psi)(t) - v'(t; \phi, \psi)(t)\| + \\ &\quad + \|z'(t; \phi, \psi)(t) - w'(t; \phi, \psi)(t)\|\} \\ &\leq -\alpha W(t, \phi, \psi) + \eta(t) + K(t, \tau) [\|G(t, \phi, \psi)\|_0 + \|F(t, \phi, \psi)\|_0] \\ &\leq -\alpha W(t, \phi, \psi) + \eta(t) + K(t, \tau) w(t, \|\phi\|_0) \end{aligned}$$

where $D^+ W(t, \phi, \psi)_{(2)}$ and $D^+ W(t, \phi, \psi)_{(1)}$ denote the Dini derivatives with respect to the systems (2) and (1) respectively.

Since $\phi = y_t(t; \phi, \psi)$ and $\psi = z_t(t; \phi, \psi)$ assumption (ii) and conclusion (II) of Theorem 2.7 of [1] imply

$$\begin{aligned} D^+ W(t, y_t(t; \phi, \psi), z_t(t; \phi, \psi)) &\leq -\alpha W(t, y_t, z_t) + \\ &\quad + \eta(t) + K(t, \tau) \omega(t, W(t, y_t, z_t)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence Theorem 1.4.1 of [3] imply

$$W(t, y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0), z_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)) \leq r(t, t_0, u_0) \quad t \geq t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon)$$

where $r(t, t_0, u_0)$ is the maximal solution of (4) such that

$$u_0 = K(t_0, \tau) (\|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0).$$

By Theorem 2.7 of [1] we have for $t \geq t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon)$

$$\|y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)\|_0 \leq W(t, y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0), z_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)) \leq r(t, t_0, u_0).$$

However,

$$u_0 = K(t_0, \tau) (\|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0) \quad \text{and} \quad \|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0 \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2 K(t_0, \tau) M(t_0, \tau)}$$

with $t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon)$, hence $u_0 < \frac{\varepsilon}{2 M(t_0, \tau)}$. The assumption on the solutions of (4) implies

$$r(t, t_0, u_0) < \varepsilon \quad \text{for} \quad t \geq t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon).$$

Hence

$$\|y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)\| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for} \quad t \geq t_0 \geq T(\varepsilon)$$

provided $\|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0 < \frac{\varepsilon}{2 K(t_0, \tau) M(t_0, \tau)}$. Finally by assumption on solutions of (4)

$$\|y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)\|_0 \leq r(t, t_0, u_0) \leq M(t_0, \tau) K(t_0, \tau) (\|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0) + q(t_0),$$

$$t \geq t_0.$$

Moreover,

$$\|y_t(t_0; 0, 0)\|_0 \leq q(t_0), \quad t \geq t_0$$

so that the set $\phi = 0, \psi = 0$ is ϕ -ASI with respect to the perturbed system (2) [cf. 1] and is partially equistable or equistable with respect to the y -component.

THEOREM 3.2. *Let the assumptions of Theorem 3.1 hold. Then the ASI set $u = 0$ of (4) is equi-exponentially asymptotically stable implies that the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0, \psi = 0$ of the perturbed system (2) is partially equi-exponential asymptotically stable.*

Proof. By hypothesis $u = 0$ of (4) is equi-exponential asymptotically stable, hence for $u_0 > 0$ and $u(t, t_0, u_0)$ any solution of (4)

$$u(t, t_0, u_0) \leq M(t_0, \tau) u_0 e^{-\alpha(t-t_0)} + H(t, t_0), \quad t \geq t_0$$

where $\alpha > 0, H \in C(\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R}^+)$, $H(t, t) = 0, H(t, t_0) \leq q(t_0)$ for some

$$q \in \mathcal{L} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [\sup_{t_0 \geq T_1} H(t, t_0)] = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad T_1 > 0.$$

Clearly,

$$u(t, t_0, u_0) \leq M(t_0, \tau) u_0 + q(t_0), \quad t \geq t_0$$

hence Theorem 3.1 implies that

$$\|y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)\|_0 \leq K(t_0, \tau) M(t_0, \tau) (\|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0) + q(t_0), \quad t \geq t_0$$

where $y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0), z_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)$ is any solution of the perturbed system (2). Hence, using arguments similar to that of Theorem 3.1,

$$\|y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)\|_0 \leq r(t, t_0, u_0) \leq M(t_0, \tau) u_0 e^{-\alpha(t-t_0)} + H(t, t_0)$$

for $t \geq t_0$, where $r(t, t_0, u_0)$ is the maximal solution of (4) such that $u_0 = K(t_0, \tau)(\|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0)$. Hence,

$$\|y_t(t_0; \phi_0, \psi_0)\|_0 \leq M(t_0, \tau) K(t_0, \tau)(\|\phi_0\|_0 + \|\psi_0\|_0) e^{-\alpha(t-t_0)} + H(t, t_0) \\ t \geq t_0.$$

Moreover,

$$\|y_t(t_0; 0, 0)\|_0 \leq H(t, t_0) \leq q(t_0)$$

for some $q \in \mathcal{L}$ and $t \geq t_0$, so that the set $\phi = 0, \psi = 0$ is ϕ -ASI with respect to the perturbed system (2) and it is partially equi-exponential asymptotically stable.

THEOREM 3.3. *Assume that the hypothesis of Theorem 2.8 of [1] hold. In addition, let the hypothesis*

(ii) of Theorem 3.1 also hold. Then the ASI set $u = 0$ of

$$(5) \quad \frac{du}{dt} = -p'(t)u + \eta(t) + K(t, \tau)\omega(t, u)$$

is generalized equi-exponential asymptotically stable implies that the ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0, \psi = 0$ of the perturbed system (2) is generalized partially equi-exponential asymptotically stable.

Proof. In view of Theorem 2.8 of [1], arguments similar to that of Theorem 3.2 yield the required result. We omit details.

COROLLARY 3.4. *The ϕ -ASI set $\phi = 0, \psi = 0$ of (2) is generalized equi-exponential asymptotically stable with respect to the y -component, if $w(t, u) = \lambda(t)u$ where*

$$p(t_0) - p(t) + \int_{t_0}^t (k(s)\lambda(s) + \eta(s)) ds \rightarrow -\infty \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Proof. The general solution of (5) is

$$u(t, t_0, u_0) = u \exp(p(t_0) - p(t) + \int_{t_0}^t (k(s)\lambda(s) + \eta(s)) ds), \quad t \geq t_0.$$

By Theorem 3.3 the result follows.

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