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Exponential dichotomies for linear systems with impulsive effects *

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Abstract

In this paper we give conditions for the existence of a dichotomy for the impulsive equation

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)x' = A(t)x, \ t \neq t_k,$$
$$x(t_k^+) = C_k x(t_k^-),$$

where $\mu(t, \varepsilon)$ is a positive function such that $\lim \mu(t, \varepsilon) = 0$ in some sense. The results are expressed in terms of the properties of the eigenvalues of matrices A(t), the properties of the eigenvalues of matrices $\{C_k\}$ and the location of the impulsive times $\{t_k\}$ in $[0, \infty)$.

1 Introduction

In this paper we study the dichotomic properties of the impulsive system

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)x'(t) = A(t)x(t), \quad t \neq t_k, \ J = [0,\infty),$$
(1)
$$x(t_k^+) = C_k x(t_k^-), \quad k \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \ldots\},$$

where $x(t_k^{\pm}) = \lim_{t \to t_k^{\pm}} x(t)$. The function $A(\cdot)$ and the sequence $\{C_k\}$ have properties to be specified later. The function $\mu(t,\varepsilon)$ depends on a parameter ε , in general, belonging to a metric space E. We will assume that $\mu(t,\varepsilon)$, for each fixed ε , is continuous. The cases we are interested in most are $\mu(t,\varepsilon) = \varepsilon > 0$, $\mu(t,\varepsilon) = \mu(t)$, such that $\lim_{t\to\infty} \mu(t) = 0$ and $\mu(t,\varepsilon) = 1$. In what follows, for technical purposes we shall suppose that

$$0 < \mu(t,\varepsilon) \le 1, \ \forall (t,\varepsilon) \in J \times E.$$
(2)

For ordinary differential equations, the singular perturbed case $(\mu(t, \varepsilon) = \varepsilon > 0)$ has been intensively studied in [7, 15]; the regular case $(\mu(t, \varepsilon) = 1)$ has been

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considered in [6]; the general setting of the problem (1), when $\mu(t,\varepsilon) = \mu(t)$, $\lim_{t\to\infty} \mu(t) = 0$ was studied in [13].

The aim of this paper is to give a set of algebraic conditions of existence of a (μ_1, μ_2) -dichotomy [4], meaning by this conditions involving the properties of the functions of eigenvalues of matrices A(t), the eigenvalues of matrices belonging to the sequence $\{C_k\}$, and the location of the impulsive times $\{t_k\}$.

2 Notations and basic hypotheses

In this paper V stands for the field of complex numbers. We will assume that a fixed norm $\|\cdot\|$ on the space V^n is defined. For a matrix $A \in V^{n \times n}$, $\|A\|$ will denote the corresponding functional matrix norm. If m and n are integral numbers, then the set $\{m, m+1, m+2, \ldots, n\}$ will be denoted by $\overline{m, n}$. The symbol $\{t_k\}$ identifies a strictly increasing sequence of positive numbers, satisfying $\lim_{k\to\infty} t_k = \infty$. The solutions of all considered impulsive systems are uniformly continuous on each interval $J_k = (t_{k-1}, t_k]$. Further notations;

- For a bounded function f, we denote $||f||_{\infty} = \sup\{||f(t)|| : t \in J\}$,
- For an absolutely integrable function f, we denote $||f||_1 = \int_0^\infty ||f(t)|| dt$,
- For a bounded sequence $\{C_k\}$, we denote $\|\{C_k\}\|_{\infty} = \sup\{\|C_k\|: k \in \mathbb{N}\},\$
- For a summable sequence $\{C_k\}$, we denote $\|\{C_k\}\|_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|C_k\|$,
- $-C(\{t_k\}) = \{f : J \to V^n : f \text{ is uniformly continuous on all intervals } J_k\},\$ $-BC(\{t_k\}) = \{f \in C(\{t_k\}) : f \text{ is bounded}\}.$

- The function i[s, t) will denote the number of impulsive times contained in the interval [s, t) if t > s; if $s \le t_k < t_{k+1} < \cdots < t_h < t$, we define

$$\sum_{[s,t)} C_i = C_k + C_{k+2} + \dots + C_h, \quad \sum_{[t,t)} C_i = 0,$$
$$\prod_{[s,t)} C_i = C_h C_{h-1} \cdots C_k, \quad \prod_{[t,t)} C_i = I.$$

We will denote by $X(t) = X(t, \varepsilon)$ the fundamental matrix of the impulsive system (1). By this we mean a function $X: J \to V^{n \times n}$ uniformly continuous, of class C^1 on each interval J_k , such that $X(0^+) = I$ and X satisfies (1). The definition and basic properties of function $X(t,\varepsilon)$, for each fixed ε , are described in [2, 8].

Below, we list the basic hypotheses **H1-H5** we will use.

H1: The function A is bounded and piecewise uniformly continuous on J with respect to $\{t_k\}$. This last means: For any $\rho > 0$, there exists a number $\delta(\rho) > 0$, such that $||A(t) - A(s)|| < \rho$, if $|t - s| < \delta$, $t, s \in J_k$ for all $k \in N$.

H2: There exist numbers $p \ge 0$ and q > 1, such that

$$|i[s,t) - p(t-s)| \le q, \ s \le t.$$

H3: $\{C_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a bounded sequence of invertible matrices.

H4: There exists a positive number γ , such that for any k, all eigenvalues μ_k of the matrix C_k satisfy the condition $\gamma |\mu_k| \ge 1$.

Definition 1 We shall say that $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_n\}$, the eigenvalues of matrix A, are ordered by real parts (respectively, ordered by norms) iff

 $Re\lambda_1 \leq Re\lambda_2 \leq \ldots \leq Re\lambda_n$, (respectively $|\lambda_1| \leq |\lambda_2| \leq \ldots \leq |\lambda_n|$).

In the sequel, we will assume that $\{\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \ldots, \lambda_n(t)\}$ the eigenvalues of matrix A(t) are ordered by real parts, and $\{\mu_1(k), \mu_2(k), \ldots, \mu_n(k)\}$ the eigenvalues of matrix C_k are ordered by norms.

We will consider the following piecewise constant function

$$u_m: J \to \mathbb{R}, \ u_m(t) = \frac{\ln |\mu_m(k)|}{t_k - t_{k-1}}, \ \text{ if } t \in J_k.$$
 (3)

In order to alleviate the writing, let us denote for $m \in \overline{1, n-1}$

$$\alpha_m(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_m(t) - \lambda_{m+1}(t))}{\mu(t,\varepsilon)} + u_m(t) - u_{m+1}(t).$$

The following hypothesis is a slight modification of a condition of splitting used in [9].

H5: There exists a positive constant M such that the function

$$U_m(t,\varepsilon) = \int_0^t \frac{1}{\mu(s,\varepsilon)} \exp\left\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\} ds,$$

+
$$\int_t^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\mu(s,\varepsilon)} \exp\left\{\int_t^s \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)\tau\right\} ds$$

satisfies

$$||U_m(t,\varepsilon)|| \le M, \ \forall (t,\varepsilon) \in [0,\infty) \times E.$$

3 The quasidiagonalization method

We will assume that, for some positive number r, the families of matrices $\{A(t) : t \in J\}$ and $\{C_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ are contained in the set

$$\mathcal{M}(r) = \{ F \in V^{n \times n} : \|F\| \le r \}.$$

For each matrix $F \in \mathcal{M}(r)$ and $\sigma > 0$, by Theorem 1.6 in [1], we may choose a nonsingular matrix S such that

$$S^{-1}FS = \Lambda(F) + R(F,\sigma), \ \|R(F,\sigma)\| \le \sigma/2, \tag{4}$$

where $\Lambda(F)$ denotes the diagonal matrix of eigenvalues of matrix F, ordered by real parts. Let us consider the ball $B[F,\rho] = \{G \in V^{n \times n} : ||f - G|| \le \rho\}$. For any $G \in B[F,\rho]$ we have

$$S^{-1}GS = \operatorname{Re} \Lambda(F) + i \operatorname{Im} \Lambda(F) + S^{-1}(G - F)S + R(F, \sigma), \ i^2 = -1,$$

where

$$\Lambda(F) = \operatorname{diag}\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n\}, \operatorname{Re}\Lambda(F) = \operatorname{diag}\{\operatorname{Re}\lambda_1, \operatorname{Re}\lambda_2, \dots, \operatorname{Re}\lambda_n\}.$$

¿From this decomposition we obtain

$$S^{-1}GS = \operatorname{Re} \Lambda(G) + i \operatorname{Im} \Lambda(F) + T(F, \rho) + R(F, \sigma),$$

where

$$T(F,\rho) = (\Lambda(F) - \Lambda(G)) + S^{-1}(G - F)S.$$

¿From Hurwitz's theorem (see [5], page 148), the function $\mathcal{L} : V^{n \times n} \to V^{n \times n}$ defined by $\mathcal{L}(F) = \operatorname{Re} \Lambda(F)$ is continuous. This assertion implies, for a fixed number $\sigma > 0$ and a matrix $F \in \mathcal{M}(r)$ the existence of a nonsingular matrix Sand a $\rho > 0$, such that if $G \in B[F, \rho]$, then

$$S^{-1}GS = \operatorname{Re}\Lambda(G) + i\operatorname{Im}\Lambda(F) + \Gamma(F,\sigma), \ \Gamma(F,\sigma) := T(F,\rho) + R(F,\sigma),$$

and $\|\Gamma(F,\sigma)\| \leq \sigma$. Since $\mathcal{M}(r)$ is compact, then given a $\sigma > 0$, there exist a covering $\mathcal{F} = \{B[F_j, \rho_j]\}_{j=1}^m$ of $\mathcal{M}(r)$, and nonsingular matrices $\mathcal{S} = \{S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_m\}$ having the following property: For a fixed $G \in \mathcal{M}(r)$ there exists an index $j \in \{1, 2, \ldots, m\}$, such that $G \in B[F_j, \rho_j]$ and

$$S_j^{-1}GS_j = \operatorname{Re}\Lambda(G) + i\operatorname{Im}\Lambda(F_j) + \Gamma_j(\sigma), \ \|\Gamma_j(\sigma)\| \le \sigma.$$
(5)

Let $\rho > 0$ be a Lebesgue number of the covering \mathcal{F} . According to **H1**, there exists a $\delta > 0$, non depending on k, such that for $t, s \in J_k$, $|t - s| \leq \delta$ we have $||A(t) - A(s)|| < \rho$. Let us define

$$n(k,\delta) = \inf\{j \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{t_k - t_{k-1}}{j} \le \delta\},\$$

and the partition of the interval J_k :

$$\mathcal{P}_k = \{t_0^k, t_1^k, \dots, t_{n(k)}^k\}, \ t_0^k = t_{k-1}, \ t_{n(k)}^k = t_k,$$

defined by

$$|t_{i-1}^k - t_i^k| = \delta_k, \ i \in \overline{1, n(k)}, \ \delta_k := \frac{t_k - t_{k-1}}{n(k, \delta)}$$

We emphasize that $n(k, \delta) = 1$ iff $t_k - t_{k-1} \leq \delta$. This and **H2** yield

$$n(k,\delta) \le L(p,\delta)(t_k - t_{k-1}), \ L(p,\delta) := \max\{\frac{p}{q-1}, \frac{2}{\delta}\}.$$
 (6)

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According to the decomposition (5), we may assign to the interval $(t_{i-1}^k, t_i^k]$ a nonsingular matrix $S_{k,i} \in \mathcal{S}$ and $F_{k,i} \in \{F_j\}_{j=1}^m$, such that

$$S_{k,i}^{-1}A(t)S_{k,i} = Re\Lambda(t) + iIm\Lambda(F_{k,i}) + \Gamma_{k,i}(\sigma), \ t \in (t_{i-1}^k, t_i^k],$$
(7)

where we have abbreviated $\Lambda(t) = \Lambda(A(t))$ and

$$\|\Gamma_{k,i}(\sigma)\| \le \sigma. \tag{8}$$

Regarding the sequence $\{C_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$, we will accomplish a similar procedure. Let us consider a matrix $D \in \mathcal{M}(r)$ and $\sigma > 0$. For some nonsingular matrix T we will have, instead of (4), the decomposition

$$T^{-1}DT = N(D) + R(D,\sigma), \ \|R(D,\sigma)\| < \sigma,$$
(9)

where the matrix N(D) is defined by means of the eigenvalues D:

$$N(D) = \text{diag}\{\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n\}, \ |\mu_1| \le |\mu_2| \le \dots \le |\mu_n|.$$

We may write (9) in the form

$$T^{-1}DT = |N(D)|e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D)} + R(D,\sigma),$$

where

$$\operatorname{Arg}(D) = \operatorname{diag}\{\operatorname{arg}(\mu_1), \operatorname{arg}(\mu_2), \dots, \operatorname{arg}(\mu_n)\}$$

and

$$|N(D)| = \operatorname{diag}\{|\mu_1|, |\mu_2|, \dots, |\mu_n\}|.$$

For a matrix $C \in B[D, \rho], \rho > 0$, we write

$$T^{-1}CT = |N(C)|e^{iArg(D)} + (|N(C)| - |N(D)|)e^{iArg(D)} + T^{-1}(C-D)T + R(D,\sigma), ||R(D,\rho)|| \le \sigma.$$

The Hurwitz's theorem implies that the function $\mathcal{N}: V^{n \times n} \to V^{n \times n}$ defined by $\mathcal{N}(C) = |C|$ is continuous. Since $\mathcal{M}(r)$ is compact, then for a given $\sigma > 0$, there exists a covering $\mathcal{D} = \{B[D_i, \rho_i]\}_{i=1}^{\tilde{m}}$ of $\mathcal{M}(r)$, and a set of nonsingular matrices $\mathcal{T} = \{T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_{\tilde{m}}\}$, such that for each C_k there exists a $T_k \in \mathcal{T}$ and $D_k \in \{D_i\}_{i=1}^{\tilde{m}}$ such that

$$T_k^{-1}C_kT_k = |N(C_k)|e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)} + \tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma), \ \|\tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\| \le \sigma.$$
(10)

4 A change of variables

Let $g : [0,1] \to [0,1]$ be a strictly increasing function, $g \in C^{\infty}$, such that g(0) = g'(0) = g'(1) = 0, g(1) = 1. For an ordered pair (Q, R) of invertible matrices we define

$$\theta: [a,b] \to V^{n \times n}, \ \theta(t) = Q \exp \left\{ g\left(\frac{t-a}{b-a}\right) Ln(Q^{-1}R) \right\}.$$

The path θ is of class C^{∞} . Moreover $\theta(t)$ is a nonsingular matrix for each t, and $\theta(a) = Q$, $\theta(b) = R$, $\theta'(a) = 0$, $\theta'(b) = 0$. In the sequel, we shall say that the path θ splices the ordered pair of matrices (Q, R) on the interval [a, b]. In order to perform a change of variable of system (1), we splice matrices $(S_{k,i}, S_{k,i+1}), i \in \overline{1, n(k) - 1}$ on an interval $[t_i^k - \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2, t_i^k + \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2]$, where $\nu_k(\varepsilon) = \inf\{ \mu(t, \varepsilon) : t \in J_k \}$, and $\delta_{k,i}$ are small numbers satisfying $\nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i} < \delta_k$ and another condition we will specify in the forthcoming definition of number ν (see (13). Let us define the path

$$\theta_{k,i}: [t_i^k - \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2, t_i^k + \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2] \to V^{n \times n}$$

splicing the matrices $(S_{k,i}, S_{k,i+1})$ in the following way

$$\theta_{k,i}(t) = S_{k,i} \exp \left\{ g\left(\frac{t - t_i^k + \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}}{\mu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}}\right) Ln(S_{k,i}^{-1}S_{k,i+1}) \right\}.$$

For the constant

$$K_1(\sigma) = \max\left\{ \left(\|S_k\| + \|Ln(S_k^{-1}S_i)\| \right) \exp \left\{ \|Ln(S_k^{-1}S_i)\| \right\} : 1 \le k, i \le m \right\}$$

we have the estimates

$$\|\theta_{k,i}(t)\|_{\infty} \le K_1(\sigma), \ \|\theta'_{k,i}(t)\|_{\infty} \le \frac{K_1(\sigma)}{\nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}}.$$
(11)

The matrix T_{k+1} assigned to the impulsive time $t_0^{k+1} = t_{k+1} = t_{n(k)}^k$ and the matrix $S_{k+1,1}$ are spliced on the interval $[t_0^{k+1}, t_0^{k+1} + \mu_{k+1}(\varepsilon)\delta_{k+1,0}/2]$ by a path we denote by $\theta_{k+1,0}$. The matrices $(S_{k,n(k)}, T_{k+1})$ are spliced on the interval $[t_{n(k)}^k - \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,n(k)}/2, t_{n(k)}^k]$ by a path we denote by $\theta_{k,n(k)}$. We emphasize that $\theta_{k+1,0}(t_k) = T_{k_1} = \theta_{k,n(k)}(t_k)$. A special mention deserves the time t = 0 which is not considered as an impulsive time. We will attach to the time t = 0 the matrix $S_{1,1}$. For these splicing paths are valid similar estimates to (11), with a modified constant for which we maintain the notation $K_1(\sigma)$.

Let us define the intervals

$$I_{k} = [t_{0}^{k+1} - \nu_{k}(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,0}/2, t_{0}^{k+1} + \nu_{k+1}(\varepsilon)\delta_{k+1,0}/2], k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$I_{k,i} = (t_{i}^{k} - \nu_{k}(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2, t_{i}^{k} + \nu_{k}(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2), i \in \overline{1, n(k) - 1},$$
(12)

and the number

$$\nu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{n(k)} \delta_{k,i}.$$
(13)

The choice of the numbers $\delta_{k,i}$ is at our disposal. Therefore, ν can be made as small as necessary. Let us consider the C^{∞} function

$$S(t) = \begin{cases} \theta_{k+1,0}(t), \ t \in [t_0^{k+1}, t_0^{k+1} + \nu_{k+1}(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,0}/2], & k = 0, 1, \dots \\ S_{k,i}, \ t \in [t_i^k + \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2, t_{i+1}^k - \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i+1}/2], & i \in \overline{0, n(k) - 1}, \\ \theta_{k,i}(t), \ t \in [t_i^k - \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2, t_i^k + \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,i}/2], & i \in \overline{1, n(k) - 1}, \\ \theta_{k,n(k)}(t), \ t \in [t_{n(k)-1}^k - \nu_k(\varepsilon)\delta_{k,n(k)}/2, t_{n(k)}^k], & k = 1, 2, \dots \end{cases}$$

From this definition S'(t) = 0 except on the intervals I_k and $I_{k,i}$. Since $S(t_k) = T_k$, the change of variable x = S(t)y reduces System (1) to the form

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)y'(t) = \left(S^{-1}(t)A(t)S(t) - \mu(t,\varepsilon)S^{-1}(t)S'(t)\right)y(t), t \neq t_k, \quad (14)$$
$$y(t_k^+) = \left(|N(C_k)|e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)} + \tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\right)y(t_k), k \in \mathbb{N},$$

where $\|\tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\| \leq \sigma$. Thus, this change of variable yields a notable simplification of the discrete component of (1). Let us define the left continuous function $L: J \to V^{n \times n}$ by

$$L(0) = S_{1,1}, \quad L(t) = S_{k,i}, \quad t \in (t_{i-1}^k, t_i^k], \ i \in \overline{1, n(k)}.$$

From $S^{-1}(t)A(t)S(t) = L^{-1}(t)A(t)L(t) + F(t,\sigma)$, where

$$F(t,\sigma) = S^{-1}(t)A(t)S(t) - L^{-1}(t)A(t)L(t),$$
(15)

we may write System (14) in the form

$$rcl \quad \mu(t,\varepsilon)y'(t) = \left(L^{-1}(t)A(t)L(t) + F(t,\sigma) - \mu(t,\varepsilon)S^{-1}(t)S'(t)\right)y(t), \ t \neq t_k,$$
$$y(t_k^+) = \left(N_k e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)} + \tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\right)y(t_k), \quad k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

From (7) and the definition of the piecewise constant functions

$$G(t) = Im\Lambda(F_{k,i}), \ t \in (t_{i-1}^k, t_i^k], \quad \Gamma(t,\sigma) = \Gamma_{k,i}(\sigma), \ t \in (t_{i-1}^k, t_i^k],$$
(16)

we can write the last system in the form

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)y'(t) = \left(\operatorname{Re}\Lambda(t) + iG(t) + \Gamma(t,\sigma) + F(t,\sigma) - \mu(t,\varepsilon)S^{-1}(t)S'(t)\right)y(t), \ t \neq t_k,$$

$$y(t_k^+) = \left(N_k e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)} + \tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\right)y(t_k), \quad k \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(17)

Lemma 1

$$\|\Gamma(t,\sigma)\|_{\infty} \le \sigma, \quad \|\{\tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\}\|_{\infty} \le \sigma, \tag{18}$$

$$\|\mu(.,\varepsilon)^{-1}F(.,\sigma)\|_1 \le K_2(\sigma)\nu,$$
(19)

$$\int_{s}^{t} \|S^{-1}(\tau)S'(\tau)\|d\tau \le K_{3}(\sigma)L(\delta,p)(t-s), \ t \ge s.$$
(20)

Proof. The first estimate of (18) follows from the definition of function $\Gamma(t, \sigma)$ given by (16) and (8), and the second follows from (10). From definition (15), there exists a constant $K_2(\sigma)$ depending only on σ such that

$$||F(\cdot,\sigma)||_{\infty} \le K_2(\sigma).$$

Moreover, from (15) we observe that $F(\cdot, \sigma)$ vanishes outside of the intervals $I_{k,i}$ and I_k . Therefore, from the definitions (12)-(13) we obtain

$$\int_0^\infty |\frac{F(t,\sigma)}{\mu(t,\varepsilon)}| dt = K_2(\sigma) \Big(\sum_{i,k} \int_{I_{k,i}} \frac{1}{\mu_k(\varepsilon)} dt + \sum_k \int_{I_k} \frac{1}{\mu_k(\varepsilon)} dt \Big) \le K_2(\sigma)\nu.$$

In order to obtain (20) we observe that $S^{-1}(t)S'(t)$ vanishes outside of the intervals $I_{k,i}$ and I_k . Moreover, there exists a constant $K_3(\sigma)$ depending only on σ , such that on each interval $[t_{i-1}^k, t_i^k]$ we have

$$\int_{t_{i-1}^k}^{t_i^k} \|S^{-1}(\tau)S'(\tau)\|d\tau \le K_3(\sigma).$$

From this estimate and (6), it follows

$$\int_s^t \|S^{-1}(\tau)S'(\tau)\|d\tau \le K_3(\sigma)L(p,\delta)(t-s)$$

In what follows we unify the notations of the constants $K_i(\sigma)$, i = 1, 2, 3 in a simple constant $K(\sigma)$.

5 Splitting and dichotomies

We are interested in the proof of existence of a dichotomy for the System (17). In this task we will follow the way indicated by Coppel in [6]: First we split System (17) in two systems of lower dimensions and after this, the Gronwall inequality for piecewise continuous functions [3] will give the required result. Following the ideas of paper [11], we write System (17) in the form:

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)y'(t) = \left(\operatorname{Re}\Lambda(t) + iG(t) + \Gamma(t,\sigma) + F(t,\sigma) - \mu(t,\varepsilon)S^{-1}(t)S'(t)\right)y(t), \quad t \neq t_k,$$

$$\Delta y(t_k) = \left(B_k + \hat{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\right)y(t_k^+), \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$
(21)

where $\Delta y(t_k) = y(t_k^+) - y(t_k^-), B_k = I - N_k^{-1} e^{-i} \operatorname{Arg}(D_k)$, and

$$\hat{\Gamma}_k(\sigma) = N_k^{-1} e^{-i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)} \Gamma_k(\sigma) \left(N_k e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)} + \Gamma_k(\sigma) \right)^{-1}$$

From hypotheses H3-H4 and (18) we obtain, for a small σ , the estimate

$$|\hat{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)| \le \frac{\sigma \gamma^2}{1 - \gamma \sigma}.$$
(22)

On the other hand, the fundamental matrix of system

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)w'(t) = (\operatorname{Re}\Lambda(t) + iG(t))w(t), \quad t \neq t_k,$$
$$\Delta w(t_k) = B_k w(t_k^+), \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$

coincides with the fundamental matrix $Z(t, \varepsilon) = Z(t)$ of the diagonal system

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)z'(t) = (\operatorname{Re}\Lambda(t) + iG(t)) z(t), \quad t \neq t_k,$$

$$z(t_k^+) = |N(C_k)|e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)}z(t_k), \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$
(23)

which is equal to $Z(t) := \Phi(t)\Psi(t)$, where

$$\Psi(t) = \exp\left\{\int_0^t \frac{\operatorname{Re}\Lambda(\tau) + iG(\tau)}{\mu(\tau,\varepsilon)} d\tau\right\}, \quad \Phi(t) = \prod_{[0,t)} |N(C_k)| e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)}.$$

For the projection matrix $P = \text{diag}\{\overbrace{1,1,\ldots,1}^{m}, 0, \ldots, 0\}$, the function Φ satisfies the following estimates:

$$\|\Phi(t)P\| \le \exp\Big\{\sum_{[0,t)} \ln |\mu_m(k)|\Big\}.$$

From definition (3), we may write

$$\|\Phi(t)P\| \le L \exp\left\{\int_0^t u_m(\tau)d\tau\right\},\$$
$$\|\Phi^{-1}(t)(I-P)\| \le L \exp\left\{\int_t^0 u_{m+1}(\tau)d\tau\right\},\$$

where L is a constant depending on the condition **H3** only. Since $\Phi(t)$ and $\Psi(t)$ commute with P, then for $t \ge s$ we obtain the following estimates

$$\|Z(t)PZ^{-1}(s)\| \le L_1 \exp\left\{\int_s^t \left(\frac{\operatorname{Re}\lambda_m}{\mu(\cdot,\varepsilon)} + u_m\right)(\tau)d\tau\right\},\tag{24}$$
$$\|Z(s)(I-P)Z^{-1}(t)\| \le L_1 \exp\left\{\int_t^s \left(\frac{\operatorname{Re}\lambda_{m+1}}{\mu(\cdot,\varepsilon)} + u_{m+1}\right)(\tau)d\tau\right\},$$

where L_1 is a constant independent of σ and ϵ . In the sequel W(t, s) will denote the matrix: $W(t, s) = Z(t)Z^{-1}(s)$. From (24), for $t \ge s$, we have

$$\|W(t,s)P\|\|W(s,t)(I-P)\| \le L_1^2 \exp\left\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\}.$$
(25)

For a given matrix C, we write $\{C\}_1 = PCP + (I - P)C(I - P)$.

Definition 2 By a splitting of System (21), we mean the existence of a function $T: J \to V^{n \times n}$ with the following properties:

T1: T is continuously differentiable on each interval J_k ,

T2: For each impulsive time t_k , there exists the right hand side limit $T(t_k^+)$,

T3: T(t) is invertible for each $t \in J_k$. $T(t_k^+)$ are invertible for all k,

T4: The functions T and T^{-1} are bounded,

T5: The change of variables y(t) = T(t)z(t) reduces System (21) to

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)z'(t) = \left(\operatorname{Re}\Lambda(t) + iG(t) + \{(\Gamma(t,\sigma) + F(t,\sigma))T(t)\}_1 - \mu(t,\varepsilon)\{S^{-1}(t)S'(t)T(t)\}_1\right)z(t), \quad t \neq t_k,$$
(26)
$$\Delta z(t_k) = \left(B_k + \{\hat{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\}_1\right)z(t_k^+), \quad k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For ordinary differential equations, problem **T1-T5** was solved in [6]. For difference equations, it was solved in [14]. The problem of splitting for impulsive equations is treated in [11]. None of the cited works study the splitting of system (21), where the unbounded coefficient $\{S^{-1}(t)S'(t)\}_1$ appears.

Following the general setting of [6, 14, 11], we will seek a function T in the form T(t) = I + H(t), where $H \in BC(\{t_k\}), ||H||_{\infty} \leq 1/2$, such that T satisfies conditions **T1-T5**. In the following we use the notations

$$H_k = H(t_k), \ H_k^+ = H(t_k^+).$$

Let us consider the following operators: The operator of continuous splitting

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{O}(H)(t) &= \int_{t_0}^t \frac{1}{\mu(s,\varepsilon)} W(t,s) P(I-H(s))(\Gamma(s,\sigma) \\ &+ F(s,\sigma))(I+H(s))(I-P)W(s,t) ds \\ &- \int_t^\infty \frac{1}{\mu(s,\varepsilon)} W(t,s)(I-P)(I-H(s))(\Gamma(s,\sigma) \\ &+ F(s,\sigma))(I+H(s)) PW(s,t) \, ds \,; \end{split}$$

the operator of discrete splitting

$$\mathcal{D}(H)(t) = \sum_{[t_0,t)} W(t,t_k) P(I-H_k) \tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma) (I+H_k^+) (I-P) W(t_k^+,t) - \sum_{[t,\infty)} W(t,t_k) (I-P) (I-H_k) \tilde{\Gamma}_k(\sigma) (I+H_k^+) P W(t_k^+,t);$$

and the operator of impulsive splitting

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}(H)(t) \\ &= -\int_{t_0}^t W(t,s) P(I-H(s)) (S^{-1}(s)S'(s)(I+H(s))(I-P)W(s,t)ds \\ &+ \int_t^\infty W(t,s)(I-P)(I-H(s))S^{-1}(s)S(s)(I+H(s))PW(s,t)ds \,. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2 Uniformly with respect to $t_0 \in J$, for some constant L_2 non depending on σ nor on ε , we have the following estimates

$$\|\mathcal{O}(H)\|_{\infty} \le L_2(\sigma + K(\sigma)\nu),\tag{27}$$

and

$$\|\mathcal{D}(H)(t)\|_{\infty} \le L_2 \sigma. \tag{28}$$

Proof. From condition H5 and (25) we have the estimate

$$\begin{split} \|\mathcal{O}(H)(t)\| &= \int_{t_0}^t \frac{9L_1^2}{4\mu(s,\varepsilon)} \exp\left\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\} \left(\|\Gamma(s,\sigma)\| + \|F(s,\sigma)\|\right) ds \\ &+ \int_t^\infty \frac{9L_1^2}{4\mu(s,\varepsilon)} \exp\left\{\int_t^s \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\} \left(\|\Gamma(s,\sigma)\| + \|F(s,\sigma)\|\right) ds \\ &\leq \frac{9L_1^2}{4} \left(\sigma\|U_m(\cdot,\varepsilon)\|_\infty + \int_{t_0}^\infty \frac{\|F(s,\sigma)\|}{\mu(s,\varepsilon)} ds\right). \end{split}$$

Now the estimate (26) follows from (18) and H5, for some constant L_2 .

For a fixed t > 0, let us consider the impulsive times divided as follows:

$$t_1 < t_2 < \ldots < t_k < t \le t_{k+1} < t_{k+2} < \ldots$$

From (17) and (24) we can write the estimate

$$\begin{split} \|\mathcal{D}(H)(t)\| &\leq \frac{9L_1^2\sigma}{4} \sum_{i=1}^k \exp\big\{\int_{t_i}^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\big\} + \frac{9L_1^2\sigma}{4} \sum_{i=k+1}^\infty \exp\big\{\int_t^{t_i} \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\big\} \\ &\leq \frac{9L_1^2\sigma}{4} \Big(2 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \exp\big\{\int_{t_i}^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\big\} + \sum_{i=k+2}^\infty \exp\big\{\int_t^{t_i} \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\big\}\Big) \\ &\leq \frac{9L_1^2\sigma}{4} \Big(2 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{1}{t_i - t_{i-1}} \int_{t_{i-1}}^{t_i} \exp\big\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\big\}ds \\ &+ \sum_{i=k+2}^\infty \frac{1}{t_{i+1} - t_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \exp\big\{\int_s^s \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\big\}ds\Big) \end{split}$$

From (2) and **H2** we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{D}(H)(t)\| &\leq \frac{9L_1^2 \sigma p}{4(K-1)} \Big(2 + \frac{p}{4(q-1)} \int_0^t \frac{1}{\mu(s,\varepsilon)} \exp\left\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon) d\tau\right\} ds \\ &+ \frac{p}{4(q-1)} \int_t^\infty \frac{1}{\mu(s,\varepsilon)} \exp\left\{\int_t^s \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon) d\tau\right\} \Big). \end{aligned}$$

From this estimate it follows (28) for some constant L_2 .

 \diamond

The estimate of operator \mathcal{S} is more complicated. From (25) we obtain

$$\|\mathcal{S}(H)(t)\| \leq I_1(t) + I_2(t),$$

where

$$I_1(t) = \int_{t_0}^t \exp\left\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\} \|S^{-1}(s)S'(s)\|ds,$$

$$I_2(t) = \int_t^\infty \exp\left\{\int_t^s \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\} \|S^{-1}(s)S'(s)\|ds.$$

We can write ${\cal I}_1$ in the form

$$I_1(t) = \int_{t_0}^t \exp\left\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\} \frac{d}{ds} \int_t^s \|S^{-1}(\xi)S'(\xi)\|d\xi ds.$$

Integration by parts gives

$$I_{1}(t) = \exp\left\{\int_{t_{0}}^{t} \alpha_{m}(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\}\int_{t_{0}}^{t} \|S^{-1}S'\|(u)du$$
$$-\int_{t_{0}}^{t} \alpha_{m}(s,\varepsilon)\exp\left\{\int_{s}^{t} \alpha_{m}(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\}\int_{s}^{t} \|S^{-1}S'\|(u)du$$

Taking into account the estimate (20) we obtain

$$\begin{split} I_1(t) &\leq K(\sigma)L(\delta,p)\exp\big\{\int_{t_0}^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\big\}(t-t_0) \\ &-K(\sigma)L(\delta,p)\int_{t_0}^t \alpha_m(s,\varepsilon)\exp\big\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\big\}(t-s)ds\,. \end{split}$$

Once again, integrating by parts the last integral, from the right hand side of this inequality we obtain

$$I_1(t) \le K(\sigma)L(\delta, p) \int_{t_0}^t \exp\left\{\int_s^t \alpha_m(\tau, \varepsilon)d\tau\right\} ds.$$
(29)

By similar tokens

$$I_2(t) \le K(\sigma)L(\delta, p) \int_t^\infty \exp\left\{\int_t^s \alpha_m(\tau, \varepsilon)d\tau\right\} ds.$$
(30)

Using (2) and the hypothesis H5 we obtain the estimate

$$I_i(t) \le MK(\sigma)L(\delta, p) \|\mu(\cdot, \varepsilon)\|_{\infty}, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Thus, for a given $\alpha > 0$, if $\|\mu(\cdot, \varepsilon)\|_{\infty}$ is small enough, we will have

$$\|\mathcal{S}(H)(t)\| \le \alpha \,. \tag{31}$$

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Theorem 1 The conditions **H1-H5** imply, for a small values of the norm $\{\mu(\cdot, \varepsilon)\}$, the existence of a function $T : [t_0, \infty) \to V^{n \times n}$ satisfying **T1-T5**. Moreover $||T|| \leq \frac{3}{2}, ||T^{-1}|| \leq 2$.

Proof. According to Lemma 4 and Lemma 5, the operator $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{O} + \mathcal{D} + \mathcal{S}$, for small values of σ , ν and α (see (31), satisfies

$$\mathcal{T}: \{H \in BC(\{t_k\}): \|H\|_{\infty} \le 1/2\} \to \{H \in BC(\{t_k\}): \|H\|_{\infty} \le 1/2\}.$$

Also, for small values of σ , ν and α this operator is a contraction. This and further details of this theory are well known for exponential dichotomies. The corresponding result for the dichotomy (24) are similar [6, 14, 12].

Once we have split (17), we write System (26) in the form

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)z'(t) = \left(\operatorname{Re}\Lambda(t) + iG(t) + \{(\Gamma(t,\sigma) + F(t,\sigma))T(t)\}_{1} - \mu(t,\varepsilon)\{S^{-1}(t)S'(t)T(t)\}_{1}\right)z(t), \quad t \neq t_{k},$$
(32)
$$z(t_{k}^{+}) = \left(N_{k}e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_{k})} + \{G_{k}(\sigma)\}_{1}\right)z(t_{k}), \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$

where

$$G_k(\sigma) = \left(I - N_k e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)} \{\hat{\Gamma}_k(\sigma)\}_1\right)^{-1} N_k e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)} - N_k e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_k)}.$$

From (22) we obtain

$$||G_k(\sigma)|| \le L_3 \sigma, \quad L_3 = 2||\{C_k\}||_{\infty}, \quad \text{if } 0 < 2\sigma < ||\{C_k\}||_{\infty}^{-1}.$$
 (33)

The right hand side equation of (32) commute with projection P. Therefore, (32) may be written as two systems of dimensions m and n - m,

$$\mu(t,\varepsilon)z'_{j}(t) = \left(\operatorname{Re}\Lambda_{j}(t) + iG_{j}(t) + \Gamma_{j}(t,\sigma) + F_{j}(t,\sigma) + \mu(t,\varepsilon)V_{j}(t)\right)z_{i}(t), \quad t \neq t_{k},$$
(34)

$$z_j(t_k^+) = \left(N_{k,j}e^{i\operatorname{Arg}(D_{k,j})} + G_{k,j}(\sigma)\right)z_j(t_k), \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$
(35)

where j = 1, 2. The matrices $\Lambda_1(t), \Lambda_2(t)$ are defined by

$$\Lambda_1(t) = \{\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \dots, \lambda_m(t)\}, \ \Lambda_2(t) = \{\lambda_{m+1}(t), \lambda_{m+2}(t), \dots, \lambda_n(t)\},\$$

and similarly the diagonal matrices $G_j(t)$, $N_{k,j}$ and $D_{k,j}$ are defined. The matrices $G_{k,j}(\sigma)$ satisfy estimate (33). $\Gamma_j(t,\sigma)$ has the estimate (18), where instead of σ it is necessary to write 3σ , $F_j(t,\sigma)$ has the estimate (19) and

$$\|\int_{s}^{t} V_{j}(\tau) d\tau\| \leq 3\|\int_{s}^{t} S^{-1}(\tau) S'(\tau) d\tau\| \leq 3L(\delta, p) K(\sigma)(t-s), \quad t \geq s.$$

The Gronwall inequality for piecewise continuous functions [3] gives the following estimates for $Z_i(t)$, the fundamental matrices of systems (34), j = 1, 2:

$$\begin{aligned} \|Z_1(t)Z_1^{-1}(s)\| &\leq L \exp\left\{\int_s^t \mu_1(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\}, \quad s \leq t, \\ \|Z_2(t)Z_2^{-1}(s)\| &\leq L \exp\left\{\int_s^t \mu_2(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\}, \quad t \leq s, \end{aligned}$$

where L is a constant non depending on ε neither on σ , and

$$\mu_1(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{Re(\lambda_m(t))}{\mu(t,\varepsilon)} + u_m(t) + L_4\sigma + 3L(\delta,p)K(\sigma),$$

$$\mu_2(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{Re(\lambda_{m+1}(t))}{\mu(t,\varepsilon)} + u_{m+1}(t) + L_4\sigma + 3L(\delta,p)K(\sigma),$$

with a constant $L_4 = 3 + L_3$. Since the decoupled system (34) is kinetically similar to System (1), we obtain for this system the following

Theorem 2 If the hypotheses **H1-H5** are fulfilled, then for a small value of $\|\mu(\cdot, \varepsilon)\|$ the System (1) has the following (μ_1, μ_2) -dichotomy:

$$\|X(t,\varepsilon)PX^{-1}(s,\varepsilon)\| \le L \exp\left\{\int_{s}^{t} \mu_{1}(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\}, \quad s \le t,$$

$$\|X(t,\varepsilon)PX^{-1}(s,\varepsilon)\| \le L \exp\left\{\int_{s}^{t} \mu_{2}(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\}, \quad t \le s,$$
(36)

where L is a constant independent of ε and σ .

6 Dichotomies for linear differential systems

In this section we present some applications of formulas (36).

The case $\|\mu(\cdot,\varepsilon)\|_{\infty} \leq \varepsilon$

Theorem 3 Under conditions H1-H5, if $\|\mu(\cdot, \varepsilon)\| \leq \varepsilon$, $\varepsilon \in (0, \infty)$, then there exists a positive number ε_0 such that for each $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0)$, the impulsive system (1) has the dichotomy (36).

In the particular case $\mu(t,\varepsilon) = \varepsilon$, we obtain the system

$$\varepsilon x'(t) = A(t)x(t), \quad t \neq t_k, \quad J = [0, \infty),$$

$$x(t_k^+) = C_k x(t_k^-), \quad k \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \ldots\},$$
(37)

and the dichotomy (36) has the form

$$\mu_{1}(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{Re(\lambda_{m}(t)) + \varepsilon u_{m}(t) + L_{4}\varepsilon\sigma + 3\varepsilon L(\delta,p)K(\sigma)}{\varepsilon},$$

$$\mu_{2}(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{Re(\lambda_{m+1}(t)) + \varepsilon u_{m+1}(t) + L_{4}\varepsilon\sigma + 3\varepsilon L(\delta,p)K(\sigma)}{\varepsilon}$$

Considering in (37) $C_k = I$ for $k \in N$, we obtain that the solutions of this systems coincide with the solutions of the ordinary system with a small and a positive parameter at the derivative

$$\varepsilon y'(t) = A(t)y(t). \tag{38}$$

Denoting by $Y(t, \varepsilon)$ the fundamental matrix of System (38), from (36) we obtain the dichotomy

$$\|Y(t,\varepsilon)PY^{-1}(s,\varepsilon)\| \le K \exp\left\{\int_{s}^{t} \mu_{1}(\tau,\varepsilon)d\tau\right\}, \quad s \le t,$$

$$\|Y(t,\varepsilon)(I-P)Y^{-1}(s,\varepsilon)\| \le K \exp\left\{-\int_{t}^{s} \mu_{2}(\tau,\varepsilon)\right\}, \quad t \le s,$$

where

$$\mu_1(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{Re(\lambda_m(t)) + L_4\varepsilon\sigma + \varepsilon L(\delta,0)K(\sigma)}{\varepsilon},$$

$$\mu_2(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{Re(\lambda_{m+1}(t)) + L_4\varepsilon\sigma + 3\varepsilon L(\delta,0)K(\sigma)}{\varepsilon}.$$

If $Re(\lambda_m(t)) \leq -\alpha < 0$ and $Re(\lambda_m(t)) \geq \beta > 0$, for all values of t, for a small ε_0 , we obtain for (38) the dichotomy

$$\|Y(t,\varepsilon)PY^{-1}(s,\varepsilon)\| \le L \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha}{2\varepsilon}(t-s)\right\}, \quad s \le t,$$

$$\|Y(t,\varepsilon)(I-P)Y^{-1}(s,\varepsilon)\| \le L \exp\left\{\frac{\beta}{2\varepsilon}(t-s)\right\}, \quad t \le s,$$

for $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0]$ and L is independent of ε . This dichotomy was obtained by Chang [7] for almost periodic systems and by Mitropolskii-Lykova [9] for a system (38) which function A(t) is uniformly continuous on J.

The case $\mu(t,\varepsilon) = \mu(t) \to 0$, if $t \to \infty$

In this case the condition $\lim_{t\to\infty} \mu(t) = 0$ allows to obtain a small value of $|\mu(t,\varepsilon)|$ if we consider $t \in [t_0,\infty)$. All the reasoning leading to Theorem 2 can be accomplished on the interval $[t_0,\infty)$ instead of $[0,\infty)$.

Theorem 4 If we assume valid **H1-H5**, where $U(t, \varepsilon)$ is defined with

$$\alpha_m(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{\lambda_m(t) - \lambda_{m+1}(t)}{\mu(t)} + u_m(t) - u_{m+1}(t)$$

(therefore $U(t,\varepsilon)$ does not depend on ε), then the impulsive system

$$\mu(t)x'(t) = A(t)x(t), \quad t \neq t_k, \ J = [0, \infty)$$
$$x(t_k^+) = C_k x(t_k^-), \quad k \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \ldots\},$$

has the dichotomy

$$\|X(t)PX^{-1}(s)\| \le K \exp\left\{\int_{s}^{t} \mu_{1}(\tau)d\tau\right\}, \quad s \le t, \\ \|X(t)(I-P)X^{-1}(s)\| \le K \exp\left\{\int_{t}^{s} \mu_{2}(\tau)\right\}, \quad t \le s,$$

where

$$\mu_{1}(t) = \frac{Re(\lambda_{m}(t)) + L_{4}\mu(t)\sigma + \mu(t)L(\delta, 0)K(\sigma)}{\mu(t)},$$
$$\mu_{2}(t) = \frac{Re(\lambda_{m+1}(t)) + L_{4}\sigma\mu(t) + 3\mu(t)L(\delta, 0)K(\sigma)}{\mu(t)}.$$

As an application of the above formula let us consider the ordinary system

$$\mu(t)x'(t) = A(t)x(t), \lim_{t \to \infty} \mu(t) = 0.$$
(39)

Theorem 5 If $A(\cdot)$ satisfies H1 and the function $U_m(t)$ defined in H5 with

$$\alpha_m(t,\varepsilon) = \frac{\lambda_m(t) - \lambda_{m+1}(t)}{\mu(t)},$$

is bounded, then system (39) has the dichotomy (36), where

$$\mu_1(t) = \frac{Re(\lambda_m(t)) + 3\sigma\mu(t) + \mu(t)L(\delta, 0)K(\sigma)}{\mu(t)},$$

$$\mu_2(t) = \frac{Re(\lambda_{m+1}(t)) - 3\sigma\mu(t) - 3\mu(t)L(\delta, 0)K(\sigma)}{\mu(t)}.$$

The above theorem gives conditions of existence of a (μ_1, μ_2) - dichotomy for (39) with an unbounded function $\mu(t)^{-1}A(t)$. These systems have been studied in [13].

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