

18. On the Existence of Periodic Solutions for Periodic Quasilinear Ordinary Differential Systems

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1. Introduction. In this paper we deal with the problem of the existence of T -periodic solutions for the T -periodic quasilinear ordinary differential system

$$(1) \quad x' = A(t, x)x + F(t, x)$$

where $A(t, x)$ is a real $n \times n$ matrix continuous in (t, x) and T -periodic in t , and $F(t, x)$ is an R^n -valued function continuous in (t, x) and T -periodic in t . We consider the associated linear system

$$(2) \quad x' = B(t)x$$

where $B(t)$ is a real $n \times n$ matrix continuous and T -periodic in t .

Hypothesis H . There exist no T -periodic solutions of (2) except for the zero solution.

In [1], A. Lasota and Z. Opial discussed the same problem under some hypothesis corresponding to H : for each continuous and T -periodic function $y(\cdot)$, $A(\cdot, y(\cdot)) \in M^*$, where M^* is a compact subset of continuous and T -periodic matrices whose systems satisfy Hypothesis H . They required that $F(t, x)$ satisfy the following:

$$\liminf_{c \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{c} \int_0^T \sup_{\|x\| \leq c} \|F(t, x)\| dt = 0.$$

In [2], A. G. Kartsatos considered the existence of T -periodic solutions of (1) under the conditions that $A(t, x)$ is "sufficiently close" to $B(t)$, the system (2) of which satisfies Hypothesis H and that $F(t, x)$ does not depend on x .

In Main Theorem we give an explicit extent that shows how $A(t, x)$ in (1) is close to $B(t)$ in (2) and we obtain certain conditions of $F(t, x)$ which are weaker than those of [1], [2], respectively.

2. Preliminaries. The symbol $\|\cdot\|$ will denote a norm in R^n and the corresponding norm for $n \times n$ matrices. Let C_T be the space of R^n -valued functions continuous in R^1 and T -periodic with the supremum norm. Let $C[0, T]$ be the space of R^n -valued functions continuous on $[0, T]$ with the supremum norm. Let $M[0, T]$ be the space of real $n \times n$ matrices continuous on $[0, T]$ with the supremum norm

$$\|A\|_\infty = \sup \{\|A(t)\|; t \in [0, T]\}.$$

We define a bounded linear operator $U: C[0, T] \rightarrow R^n$ by $U(x(\cdot)) = x(0) - x(T)$ with the norm

$$\|U\| = \sup \{\|U(x(\cdot))\|; \|x\|_\infty = 1\}.$$

We denote $X_B(\cdot)$ by the fundamental matrix of solutions of (2) satisfying $X_B(0)=I$ where I is the identity matrix. Put $U_B=I-X_B(T)$, for $x_0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$ we have $U(X_B(\cdot)x_0)=U_Bx_0$. We also put $S_r=\{x \in \mathbf{R}^n; \|x\| \leq r\}$ and $C_{T,r}=\{y \in C_T; \|y\|_\infty \leq r\}$. Since

$$X_B(t)=I+\int_0^t B(s)X_B(s)ds \quad \text{and} \quad X_B^{-1}(t)=I-\int_0^t X_B^{-1}(s)B(s)ds,$$

applying Gronwall's inequality, we have for any $t \in [0, T]$

$$(3) \quad \|X_B(t)\| \leq K, \quad \|X_B^{-1}(t)\| \leq K$$

where $K = \exp\left(\int_0^T \|B(s)\| ds\right)$.

The following lemmas are well known.

Lemma L_1 . Hypothesis H is equivalent to $\det U_B \neq 0$. (See [3].)

Lemma L_2 . If $\det U_B \neq 0$, then we can choose a positive constant ρ ($0 < \rho < 1$) satisfying

$$(4) \quad \|U_B^{-1}\| \leq 1/\rho.$$

Suppose that Hypothesis H holds, then there exists ρ in (4) from L_1 and L_2 . Furthermore we assume that positive constants δ, R and functions $A(t, x), F(t, x)$ satisfy the following inequalities:

$$(5) \quad K^3\delta T \exp(K^2\delta T) \leq \rho/\{2\|U_B^{-1}\|\}$$

$$(6) \quad R \leq \rho(1-\rho)/[KT \exp(\delta T)\{2K^2 \exp(2\delta T) + \rho(1-\rho)\}]$$

$$(7) \quad \|A(t, x) - B(t)\| \leq \delta \quad (t \in \mathbf{R}^1, x \in S_r)$$

$$(8) \quad \int_0^T \|F(t, x)\| dt \leq rRT \quad (x \in S_r).$$

3. Main result. We consider the linear nonhomogeneous system of T -periodic differential equations

$$(9) \quad x' = A(t, y(t))x + F(t, y(t)) \quad (y \in C_{T,r})$$

together with a boundary condition

$$(10) \quad U(x) = 0 \quad (x \in C[0, T]).$$

Let $X_y(\cdot)$ be the fundamental matrix of solutions for the homogeneous system corresponding to (9) satisfying $X_y(0)=I$. Put $U_y=I-X_y(T)$, we obtain $U(X_y(\cdot)x_0)=U_yx_0$ for $x_0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$.

Theorem. If (5)–(8) are satisfied, then for each y in $C_{T,r}$ there exists the inverse of U_y satisfying

$$(11) \quad \|U_y^{-1}\| \leq 1/\{\rho(1-\rho)\}$$

under which Hypothesis H holds. Moreover the problem ((9), (10)) has one and only one solution in $C_{T,r}$.

Proof of Theorem. By the variation of parameters formula we have

$$X_y(t) = X_B(t) + X_B(t) \int_0^t X_B^{-1}(s)\{A(s, y(s)) - B(s)\}X_y(s) ds.$$

Then by (3) and (7) we obtain for $t \in [0, T]$

$$\begin{aligned} & \|X_y(t) - X_B(t)\| \\ & \leq \|X_B(t)\| \int_0^t \|X_B^{-1}(s)\| \|A(s, y(s)) - B(s)\| \{\|X_y(s) - X_B(s)\| + \|X_B(s)\|\} ds \\ & \leq K^2\delta \int_0^t \|X_y(s) - X_B(s)\| ds + K^3\delta T. \end{aligned}$$

By (5), applying Gronwall's inequality, we have

$$(12) \quad \begin{aligned} \|X_y(t) - X_B(t)\| &\leq K^3 \delta T \exp(K^2 \delta T) \\ &\leq \rho / \{2 \|U_B^{-1}\|\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$(13) \quad \begin{aligned} \|(U_B - U_y)x_0\| &= \|U(X_B(\cdot) - X_y(\cdot))x_0\| \\ &\leq 2 \|X_B - X_y\|_\infty \|x_0\| \\ &\leq \rho \|x_0\| / \|U_B^{-1}\|. \end{aligned}$$

By (4) and (13) we obtain for $x_0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \|x_0\| &\geq \|U_B^{-1}\| \|(U_B - U_y)x_0\| \\ &\geq \|x_0\| - \|U_B^{-1}\| \|U_y x_0\| \\ &\geq \|x_0\| - \|U_y x_0\| / \rho. \end{aligned}$$

This yields

$$\|U_y x_0\| \geq \rho(1 - \rho) \|x_0\|.$$

Hence U_y has the inverse and (11) holds. Therefore the problem ((9), (10)) has one and only one T -periodic solution x_y :

$$(14) \quad x_y(t) = -U_y^{-1}[U(p_y(\cdot))] + \int_0^t A(s, y(s))x_y(s)ds + \int_0^t F(s, y(s))ds$$

where

$$p_y(t) = X_y(t) \int_0^t X_y^{-1}(s)F(s, y(s))ds.$$

By the same argument used in (3), we obtain $\|X_y(t)\| \leq K \exp(\delta T)$ and $\|X_y^{-1}(t)\| \leq K \exp(\delta T)$. This yields

$$\|p_y\|_\infty \leq rRTK^2 \exp(2\delta T).$$

From (14) we obtain for $t \in [0, T]$

$$\|x_y(t)\| \leq rRT \left\{ \frac{2K^2 \exp(2\delta T)}{\rho(1-\rho)} + 1 \right\} + \int_0^t \|A(s, y(s))\| \|x_y(s)\| ds$$

so that, by Gronwall's inequality,

$$\|x_y(t)\| \leq \frac{rRT \{2K^2 \exp(2\delta T) + \rho(1-\rho)\}}{\rho(1-\rho)} \exp\left(\int_0^t \|A(s, y(s))\| ds\right).$$

Thus, by (6), $\|x_y(t)\| \leq r$. This completes the proof.

Remark. x_y can be expressed by

$$(15) \quad x_y(t) = -X_y(t)U_y^{-1}[U(p_y(\cdot))] + p_y(t).$$

Main Theorem. *If (5)–(8) are satisfied, then there exists at least one solution of (1) in $C_{T,r}$, under which Hypothesis H holds.*

Proof of Main Theorem. Define $V : C_{T,r} \rightarrow C_{T,r}$ for $y \in C_{T,r}$ by $(V(y))(t) = x_y(t)$ where x_y is the T -periodic solution of ((9), (10)).

V maps the closed ball $C_{T,r}$ into itself.

Let $y_n \rightarrow y_0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$) in $C_{T,r}$. In the same way as (12)

$$\begin{aligned} \|X_{y_n} - X_{y_0}\|_\infty \\ \leq K^3 T \|A(\cdot, y_n(\cdot)) - A(\cdot, y_0(\cdot))\|_\infty \exp(K^2 T \|A(\cdot, y_n(\cdot)) - A(\cdot, y_0(\cdot))\|_\infty) \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$(16) \quad X_{y_n} \longrightarrow X_{y_0} \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

in $M[0, T]$. By the same argument used in (13), we obtain

$$\|(U_{y_n} - U_{y_0})x_0\| \leq 2 \|X_{y_n} - X_{y_0}\|_\infty \|x_0\|.$$

This yields $\|U_{y_n} - U_{y_0}\| \rightarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$). From the first assertion of Theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|U_{y_n}^{-1} - U_{y_0}^{-1}\| &\leq \|U_{y_n}^{-1}\| \|U_{y_0} - U_{y_n}\| \|U_{y_0}^{-1}\| \\ &\leq \|U_{y_n} - U_{y_0}\| / \{\rho^2(1-\rho)^2\}. \end{aligned}$$

This yields $\|U_{y_n}^{-1} - U_{y_0}^{-1}\| \rightarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$). From the variation of parameters formula we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_{y_n}^{-1}(t) - X_{y_0}^{-1}(t) &= \left\{ \int_0^t X_{y_n}^{-1}(s) \{A(s, y_0(s)) - A(s, y_n(s))\} X_{y_0}(s) ds \right\} X_{y_0}^{-1}(t). \end{aligned}$$

By the same argument used in (16), we obtain $X_{y_n}^{-1} \rightarrow X_{y_0}^{-1}$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$) in $M[0, T]$. This implies $p_{y_n} \rightarrow p_{y_0}$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$) in $C[0, T]$. Thus, by (15), $V(y_n) \rightarrow V(y_0)$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$) in $C_{T,r}$.

It is clear that $V(C_{T,r})$ is uniformly bounded. From (14) it follows that for $y \in C_{T,r}$

$$\begin{aligned} \|V(y)(t_1) - V(y)(t_2)\| &\leq \left| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|A(s, y(s))\| r ds \right| + \left| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \|F(s, y(s))\| ds \right| \\ &\leq \{(\delta + \|B\|_\infty)r + N\} |t_1 - t_2| \quad (t_1, t_2 \in [0, T]) \end{aligned}$$

where $N = \max \{\|F(t, x)\|; t \in [0, T], x \in S_r\}$. Consequently, $V(C_{T,r})$ is equicontinuous. By Ascoli-Arzerà theorem $V(C_{T,r})$ is a relatively compact set in $C_{T,r}$.

According to Schauder's fixed point theorem, V has at least one fixed point in $C_{T,r}$. Therefore (1) has at least one solution in $C_{T,r}$, and this completes the proof.

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