

# ON EXISTENCE OF TWO REAL PERIODIC SOLUTIONS OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS OF RICCATI TYPE

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper we consider the two equations

$$\dot{z} = z^2 + p(t)z + r_0(t), \quad (*)$$

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where  $z \in C$ ,  $p$ ,  $r_1$  and  $r_0$  are real, continuous and periodic with period  $T$ .

It was shown in [2] that if (\*) has two  $T$ -periodic solutions and if  $r_1(t) \leq r_0(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ , then (\*\*) has two  $T$ -periodic solutions. In this note we extend this result by showing that if, moreover, the two  $T$ -periodic solutions of (\*) are real then so are the  $T$ -periodic solutions of (\*\*).

## 1. Preliminaries

This paper is concerned with the class  $H$  of differential equations

$$\dot{z} = z^2 + P(t)z + r(t) \quad (z \in C, t \in R), \quad (1)$$

where  $p$  and  $r \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{P}$  is the class of all continuous real-valued functions of period  $T$  ( $T$  being fixed throughout). The equation (1) is denoted by  $P$  and we regard  $H$  as the set  $\mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P}$  with norm

$$|P| = \max \{ |p(t)|, |r(t)|; 0 \leq t \leq T \};$$

then  $(H, | \cdot |)$  is a Banach Space.

The solution of  $P$  satisfying  $z(t_0) = z_0$  is written  $z_P(t; t_0, z_0)$  and the periodic

solutions of  $P$  are determined by the zeros of

$$q_p : c \longrightarrow z_p (T; O, c) - c.$$

The function  $q_p$  is defined on an open subset  $Q_p$  of  $C$ .

To assist the reader we give precis of those definitions and results from [ 2 ], [ 3 ], and [ 4 ] which we shall need. The multiplicity of a periodic solution  $\phi$  of  $P$  is defined as the multiplicity of  $\phi ( O )$  as a zero of  $q_p$ . It is shown in [ 4 ] that  $H$  has the following subsets

$B = \{ P \in H; P \text{ has a real solution which is unbounded both as } t \text{ increases and as } t \text{ decreases and is defined for a } t\text{-interval of length less than } T \} ,$

$H_1 = \{ P \in H; P \text{ has two real } T\text{-periodic solutions and no other periodic solutions } \} .$

$H_2 = \{ P \in H; P \text{ has two } T\text{-periodic solutions, complex conjugate, and no other periodic solutions } \} .$

Account is always taken multiplicity in these definitions. Hence  $P \in H_1$  may have only one periodic solution of multiplicity 2. Let  $H_{11}$  be the set of  $P$  which have exactly one real  $T$ -periodic solution. In [ 2 ] we proved that  $H_{11}$  is the boundary between  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , that is;  $H_{11} = \bar{H}_1 \cap \bar{H}_2$  ( where  $\bar{H}_1$  and  $\bar{H}_2$  are the closures of  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , respectively ) and Lloyd in [ 4 ] proved that  $H_1 \cup H_2$  is a component of  $H \setminus B$ .

In [ 2 ] we proved that  $H_2$  and  $H_1 \cup H_2$  are open subsets of  $H$  and  $H_1$  is a closed subset of  $H$ .

## 2. Two Real $T$ -Periodic Solutions

The method used in [ 2 ], [ 3 ] and [ 4 ] to study  $P$  was to look at the linear equation  $P^*$  :

$$\ddot{u} - p(t)\dot{u} + r(t)u = O, \tag{2}$$

whose solutions are related to those of  $P$  by the transformation  $z = -\dot{u} / u$ . Let  $D$  be the set of  $P$  whose corresponding  $P^*$  are disconjugate on  $[0, T]$ . (Recall that a second order linear differential equation is disconjugate on an interval  $I$  if every non-trivial real solution has fewer than two zeros in  $I$ ).

**Lemma 2.1**  $B \supseteq H \setminus D$ .

(For the proof see [3]).

Directly from Theorem 7 of [1] we can prove the following lemma,

**Lemma 2.2**  $P = (p, r) \in D$  if and only if

$$\int_0^T (\exp - \int_0^t p(s) ds) (\dot{y}^2 - ry^2) dt > 0$$

for all functions  $y$  which are piecewise continuously differentiable on  $[0, T]$  and satisfy  $y(0) = y(T) = 0$ .

Directly from Lemma 2.2 we can prove the following lemma,

**Lemma 2.3** Let  $(p, r_0) \in D$  and  $r_1 \in P$ . If  $r_1(t) \leq r_0(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ , then  $(p, r_1) \in D$ .

**Lemma 2.4** If  $\phi$  is the unique  $T$ -periodic solution of  $(p, r) \in H_{11}$ , then

$$2 \int_0^T \phi(t) dt = - \int_0^T p(t) dt.$$

(For the prove see [4]).

**Lemma 2.5** If  $(p, r_0), (p, r_1) \in H_{11}$ , and  $r_0(t_0) > r_1(t_0)$  for some  $t_0 \in [0, T]$ , then there exists  $t_1 \in [0, T]$  such that  $r_0(t_1) \leq r_1(t_1)$ .

**Proof** Suppose that  $r_0(t) > r_1(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$  and  $\phi_0, \phi_1$  are the periodic solutions of  $(p, r_0)$  and  $(p, r_1)$ , respectively. We have two cases: (i)  $\phi_0(t) > \phi_1(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ , (ii)  $\phi_0(t_2) = \phi_1(t_2)$  for some  $t_2 \in [0, T]$ .

**Case (i)** In this case we have

$$\int_0^T \phi_i(t) dt > \int_0^T \phi_j(t) dt,$$

which contradicts Lemma 2.4

**Case (ii)** Let  $h(t) = \phi_0(t) - \phi_1(t)$ . If  $h(t_2) = 0$  for some  $t_2 \in [0, T]$ , then  $\dot{h}(t_2) = r_0(t_2) - r_1(t_2) > 0$ . Hence  $h(t) \geq 0$  over  $[0, T]$  and  $h(t) > 0$  for some  $t$  near  $t_2$ . Therefore

$$\int_0^T h(t) dt \geq 0$$

and again we have a contradiction to Lemma 2.4.

**Theorem 2.6** Suppose that  $(p, r_0) \in H_1$ . If  $r_1 \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $r_1(t) \leq r_0(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ , then  $(p, r_1) \in H_1$ .

**Proof** Let us assume that  $r_1(t) < r_0(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .

Since  $(p, r_0) \in H_1$ , then by lemma 2.3

$$L_1 = \{ (p, \lambda r_0 + (1-\lambda)r_1); 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1 \} \subseteq D$$

Hence  $(p, r_0)$  and  $(p, r_1)$  are in the same component of  $H \setminus B$ . Hence  $(p, r_1) \in H_1 \cup H_2$  (see Theorem 2 of [4]).

Let us assume that  $(p, r_1) \in H_2$  and let

$L_2 = \{ (p, \lambda r_1); 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1 \}$ . It is clear that  $L_1 \cap H_1 \neq \emptyset$ ,  $L_1 \cap H_2 \neq \emptyset$ ,  $L_2 \cap H_2 \neq \emptyset$  and  $L_2 \cap H_1 \neq \emptyset$ . Hence there exist  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  such that  $(p, \lambda_1 r_0 + (1-\lambda_1)r_1)$  and  $(p, \lambda_2 r_1) \in H_{11}$ . But  $\lambda_2 r_1 < \lambda_1 r_0 + (1-\lambda_1)r_1$  contradicts Lemma 2.4 Therefore  $(p, r_1) \in H_1$ .

Now suppose that  $r_1(t) \leq r_0(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ . Let  $s_n = r_1 - (1/n)$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Hence  $(p, s_n) \in H_1$  and  $(p, s_n) \rightarrow (p, r_1)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Therefore  $(p, r_1) \in H_1$ , because  $H_1$  is a closed subset of  $H$ .

**Corollary** Let  $r \in P$  and  $k \in R$ . If  $r(t) \leq k^2/4$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ , then  $(k, r) \in H_1$ .

**Proof** It can be checked that  $(k, b) \in H_1$ , where  $b = \max r(t)$ . Hence by Theorem 2-6  $(k, r) \in H_1$ .

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## في وجود حلين حقيقيين دوريين لمعادلات تفاضلية من نوع ريكاتي

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في هذا البحث سندرس المعادلتين :

$$\dot{z} = z^2 + p(t)z + r_0(t), \quad (*)$$

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حيث  $z \in C$  و  $p, r_0, r_1$  دوال حقيقية مستمرة ، دورية بدورة مقدارها  $T$

سنبرهن إذا (\*) عندها حلين حقيقيين دوريين فان (\*\*) لها حلين حقيقيين دوريين إذا

$$t \in [0, T] \quad r_1(t) \leq r_0(t)$$