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# A Note on Multivariate Lyapunov-Type Inequality

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### ABSTRACT

We transfer the recent obtained result of univariate Lyapunov-type inequality for third order differential equations to the multivariate setting of a shell via the polar method. Our result is better than the result of Anastassiou [Appl. Math. Letters, 24 (2011), 2167-2171] for third order partial differential equations.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND MAIN RESULT

The Lyapunov inequality and many of its generalizations play a key role in the study of oscillation theory, disconjugacy, eigenvalue problems, and numerous other applications for the theories of differential and difference equations. Up to now, the Lyapunov-type inequalities have been studied extensively such as [1,2,6,9]. However, there are not so many results for partial differential equations or systems except for [3,4] or [5].

Here, we give some notation for constructing the theoretical background given by Anastassiou [3] who was the first interested in the problem of finding on the multivariate Lyapunov-type inequalities in the literature:

Suppose that A be a spherical shell  $\subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$  for N > 1, i.e.  $A = B(0, R_3) - \overline{B(0, R_1)}$  for  $0 < R_1 < R_3$ , where the ball

$$B(0,R) = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^{N} : |x| < R \right\}$$
(1)

for R > 0 and  $|\cdot|$  is the Euclidean norm. We also suppose that

$$S^{N-1} = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^{N} : |x| = 1 \right\}$$
(2)

is the unit sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^N$  with surface area

$$\omega_N = \frac{2\pi^{N/2}}{\Gamma(N/2)},\tag{3}$$

i.e.

$$\int_{S^{N-1}} d\omega = \frac{2\pi^{N/2}}{\Gamma(N/2)},\tag{4}$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the gamma function. It is easy to see that every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{N} - \{0\}$  has a unique representation of the form  $x = r\omega$ , where r = |x| > 0 and  $\omega = \frac{x}{r} \in S^{N-1}$  [8, pp. 149-150]. Thus,  $\mathbb{R}^{N} - \{0\}$  may be regarded as the Cartesian product  $\overline{A} = [R_{1}, R_{3}] \times S^{N-1}$ . Therefore, we have

$$\int_{A} F(s) ds = \int_{S^{N-1}} \left( \int_{R_1}^{R_3} F(r\omega) r^{N-1} dr \right) d\omega$$
(5)

for  $F \in C(\overline{A})$ . Here, we deal with the partial differential equations involving radial derivatives of functions on  $\overline{A}$ , using the polar coordinates  $r, \omega$ . If  $f \in C^n(\overline{A})$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $f(\cdot \omega) \in C^n([R_1, R_3])$  for a fixed  $\omega \in S^{N-1}$ .

Recently, by using the result of Çakmak [6], Anastassiou [3] obtained the following result.

**Theorem A.** Suppose that  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \ge 2$  and  $q \in C(\overline{A})$ . If  $f \in C^n(\overline{A})$  is a solution of the following partial differential equations

$$\frac{\partial^n f(x)}{\partial r^n} + q(x)f(x) = 0 \quad , \quad \forall x \in \overline{A}, \tag{6}$$

with the boundary value conditions

$$f\left(\partial B(0,R_{1})\right) = f\left(\partial B(0,t_{2})\right) = \dots = f\left(\partial B(0,t_{n-1})\right) = f\left(\partial B(0,R_{3})\right) = 0$$
(7)

where  $R_1 = t_1 < t_2 < \cdots < t_{n-1} < t_n = R_3$ , and  $f(t\omega) \neq 0$ ,  $\forall \omega \in S^{N-1}$ , for any  $t \in (t_k, t_{k+1})$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ , then the following inequality

$$\int_{A} |q(s)| ds > \left( \frac{(n-2)! n^{n} R_{l}^{N-1}}{(n-1)^{n-1} (R_{3} - R_{1})^{n-1}} \right) \left( \frac{2\pi^{N/2}}{\Gamma(N/2)} \right)$$
(8)

holds.

In 1907, Lyapunov [7] established the first Lyapunov inequality

$$\int_{a}^{c} |q(s)| ds > \frac{4}{c-a},\tag{9}$$

if

$$x''(t) + q(t)x(t) = 0$$
(10)

has a real solution x(t) satisfying the boundary value conditions

$$x(a) = x(c) = 0 \tag{11}$$

for  $x(t) \neq 0$  for  $t \in (a,c)$ .

Since the appearance of Lyapunov's fundamental paper, various proofs and generalizations or improvements have appeared in the literature.

More recently, Aktaş et al. [1] obtained the following Lyapunov-type inequality for third order differential equations

$$x'''(t) + q(t)x(t) = 0, (12)$$

where  $q \in C([a,c])$ , with the boundary value conditions

$$x(a) = x(b) = x(c) = 0$$
(13)

for  $x(t) \neq 0$  for  $t \in (a,b) \cup (b,c)$ .

**Theorem B.** If the equation (12) has a solution x(t) satisfying the boundary value conditions (13), then the following inequality

$$\int_{a}^{c} |q(s)| ds > \frac{16}{\left(c-a\right)^{2}}$$
(14)

holds.

Now, motivated by the recent results of Anastassiou [3], we transfer the univariate inequality (14) in Theorem B to the multivariate setting of a shell via the polar method.

**Theorem 1.** Suppose that  $q \in C(\overline{A})$ . If  $f \in C^3(\overline{A})$  is a solution of the following third order partial differential equations

$$\frac{\partial^3 f(x)}{\partial r^3} + q(x)f(x) = 0 \quad , \quad \forall x \in \overline{A},$$
(15)

with the boundary value conditions

$$f\left(\partial B(0,R_1)\right) = f\left(\partial B(0,R_2)\right) = f\left(\partial B(0,R_3)\right) = 0$$
(16)

where  $R_1 < R_2 < R_3$ , and  $f(t\omega) \neq 0$ ,  $\forall \omega \in S^{N-1}$ , for any  $t \in (R_1, R_2) \cup (R_2, R_3)$ , then the following inequality

$$\int_{A} |q(s)| ds > \left(\frac{16R_{1}^{N-1}}{(R_{3}-R_{1})^{2}}\right) \left(\frac{2\pi^{N/2}}{\Gamma(N/2)}\right)$$
(17)

holds.

Proof. One can rewrite (15) as

$$\frac{\partial^3 f(r\omega)}{\partial r^3} + q(r\omega)f(r\omega) = 0 \quad , \quad \forall (r,\omega) \in [R_1, R_3] \times S^{N-1}, \tag{18}$$

where  $q(\cdot \omega) \in C([R_1, R_3])$ ,  $\forall \omega \in S^{N-1}$ , such that the boundary value conditions

$$f(\mathbf{R}_{1}\omega) = f(\mathbf{R}_{2}\omega) = f(\mathbf{R}_{3}\omega) = 0$$
<sup>(19)</sup>

for  $\forall \omega \in S^{N-1}$ . In addition,  $f(r\omega) \neq 0$  holds for any  $r \in (R_1, R_2) \cup (R_2, R_3)$  and  $\forall \omega \in S^{N-1}$ . Thus, from inequality (14), we get

$$\frac{16}{\left(R_{3}-R_{1}\right)^{2}} < \int_{R_{1}}^{R_{3}} |q(r\omega)| dr =$$
$$= \int_{R_{1}}^{R_{3}} r^{1-N} r^{N-1} |q(r\omega)| dr \le \left(\int_{R_{1}}^{R_{3}} r^{N-1} |q(r\omega)| dr\right) R_{1}^{1-N}$$
(20)

for a fixed  $\omega \in S^{N-1}$ . Therefore, we have the following inequality

$$\int_{R_{1}}^{R_{3}} r^{N-1} |q(r\omega)| dr > \frac{16R_{1}^{N-1}}{\left(R_{3}-R_{1}\right)^{2}}$$
(21)

for  $\forall \omega \in S^{N-1}$  and

$$\int_{S^{N-1}} \left( \int_{R_{1}}^{R_{3}} r^{N-1} |q(r\omega)| dr \right) d\omega > \left( \frac{16R_{1}^{N-1}}{(R_{3}-R_{1})^{2}} \right) \left( \frac{2\pi^{N/2}}{\Gamma(N/2)} \right),$$
(22)

which by (5), proves the inequality (17).

**Remark 1.** It is easy to see that the inequality (17) is better than the inequality (8) with n = 3 in Theorem A given by Anastassiou [3] in the sense that (8) with n = 3 follows from (17), but not conversely.

#### CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflict of interest was declared by the authors.

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