



一类非线性 Volterra 积分不等式

摘要

本文简要讨论 Gronwall 不等式的研究进展,并给出关于如下的一类非线性 Volterra 积分不等式的一个结果:

$$w(u(t)) \leq g(t) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(t,s) \prod_{j=1}^m H_{ij}(u(s)) G_{ij}(\max_{s-h \leq \xi \leq s} u(\xi)) ds.$$

关键词

非线性积分不等式; Gronwall 不等式; Gronwall 类不等式; Volterra 积分微分不等式; Lyapunov 第二方法

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0 关于 Gronwall 不等式

1919年,在研究一个带参变量的微分方程系统时,Gronwall^[1]给出如下的著名引理:

定理 1(Gronwall 原始不等式) 对 $x_0 \leq x \leq x_0 + h$, 连续函数 $z = z(x)$ 满足不等式:

$$0 \leq z \leq \int_{x_0}^x [Mz + A] dx,$$

其中常数 M 和 A 非负,那么

$$0 \leq z \leq Ahe^{Mh}, \quad x_0 \leq x \leq x_0 + h.$$

在以后的 24 年里,Gronwall 原始不等式都没引起关注.1943年,Bellman^[2]推广了 Gronwall 原始不等式使得 M 可以是函数,并且不等式也被陈述得更为简单、明了.这个结果被称之为 Gronwall-Bellman 不等式,在许多文献中均可查到,如文献[2-6].

定理 2(Gronwall-Bellman 不等式) 已知 $u(t)$ 和 $f(t)$ 是定义在 $[a, b]$ 区间上的非负连续函数, c 是非负常数,如果

$$u(t) \leq c + \int_a^t f(s)u(s) ds, \quad a \leq t \leq b,$$

那么

$$u(t) \leq ce^{\int_a^t f(s) ds}, \quad a \leq t \leq b.$$

1958年,Bellman^[7]进一步改进了上述定理,使得 c 可以是一个非负非增连续函数.

定理 3(Bellman 不等式) 如果 $y(t)$ 是正的,且单调增, $x(t)$, $z(t) \geq 0$,那么

$$x(t) \leq y(t) + \int_{\alpha}^t x(s)z(s) ds,$$

蕴含着

$$x(t) \leq y(t)e^{\int_{\alpha}^t z(s) ds}, \quad \alpha \leq t \leq \beta.$$

今天看,以上的 3 个定理都较为粗糙,因为定理的陈述不够完整、条件还可以改进.作为对前面 3 个定理的统一推广,1966年,Halanay 在专著[8]中,给出了下面的定理 4.这个定理被广泛引用,如文献[9].其条件比以上 3 个定理都要弱一些.这里,我们使用 Hale-Lunel [1993,p15]的陈述.

定理 4 如果 u 和 α 是定义在 $[a, b]$ 区间上的实值连续函数,

$\beta \geq 0$ 在 $[a, b]$ 区间上可积,且满足

$$u(t) \leq \alpha(t) + \int_a^t \beta(s)u(s) ds, \quad a \leq t \leq b,$$

那么

$$u(t) \leq \alpha(t) + \int_a^t \beta(s)\alpha(s)e^{\int_s^t \beta(u)du} ds, \quad a \leq t \leq b.$$

此外,如果 α 非减,那么

$$u(t) \leq \alpha(t)e^{\int_a^t \beta(s)ds}, \quad a \leq t \leq b.$$

不像前面 3 个定理,定理 4 只要求 β 非负.当然,如果 u 是非负的, α 也相应必须非负.Gronwall 不等式在微分方程有界性、稳定性、存在性及其他定性性质的研究中有了大量、广泛的应用,对 Gronwall 不等式的应用、推广、研究爆发性增长,并产生了许多新的研究方向.1998 年出版的 Pachpatte 等的专著[6],收集、总结了在此之前对 Gronwall 不等式的研究、推广、应用.在众多推广中,本文讨论下面的推广.2000 年,Lipovan^[10]研究了

$$u(t) \leq k + \int_{\alpha(t_0)}^{\alpha(t)} f(s)w(u(s)) ds.$$

2012 年,Bohner 等^[11]研究了下面的不等式:

$$\psi(u(t)) \leq k + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(s)u^p(s)\omega_i(u(s)) ds + \sum_{j=1}^m \int_{\beta_j(t_0)}^{\beta_j(t)} g_j(s)u^p(s)\tilde{\omega}_j(\max_{\xi \in [s-h,s]} u(\xi)) ds. \quad (1)$$

2015 年,Wang^[12]推广了不等式(1),用更一般的复合函数 $H_{ij}(u(s))$ 取代 $u^p(s)$,用

$$f_i(s)u^p(s)\omega_i(u(s))\tilde{\omega}_j(\max_{\xi \in [s-h,s]} u(\xi))$$

合并了两个级数,研究了下面的不等式:

$$w(u(t)) \leq K + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(s) \prod_{j=1}^m H_{ij}(u(s)) G_{ij}(\max_{s-h \leq \xi \leq s} u(\xi)) ds. \quad (2)$$

本文对不等式(2)进一步加以推广,使得 K 可以是函数, $f_i(s)$ 可以是 $f_i(t, s)$.从而,我们研究 Volterra 不等式:

$$w(u(t)) \leq g(t) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(t, s) \prod_{j=1}^m H_{ij}(u(s)) G_{ij}(\max_{s-h \leq \xi \leq s} u(\xi)) ds. \quad (3)$$

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我们研究不等式(3),并得到一个结果.由于不等式(3)涉及 7 类函数,为此,我们需要如下 6 个条件和记号:已知 $h > 0, t_0, T$ 为常数, $0 \leq t_0 < T \leq \infty, \mathbf{R}_+ = [0, \infty)$.

(A1) $g(t): [t_0, T) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ 为连续非减函数;

(A2) $\alpha_i \in C^1([t_0, T), \mathbf{R}_+)$ 非减,并且 $\alpha_i(t) \leq t, t \in [t_0, T), i = 1, 2, \dots, n$;

(A3) $f_i(t, s) \in C([t_0, T) \times [t_0, T), \mathbf{R})$ 对 t 为连续非减函数, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$;

(A4) $H_{ij}, G_{ij} \in C(\mathbf{R}_+, \mathbf{R}_+)$ 非减,且当 $x > 0, H_{ij}(x) > 0, G_{ij}(x) > 0$;

(A5) $w \in C(\mathbf{R}_+, \mathbf{R}_+)$ 为严格递增函数, $w(0) = 0, \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} w(t) = \infty$;

(A6) $u \in C([-h, T), \mathbf{R}_+)$.

定理 5 如果 $u(t)$ 满足不等式(3)以及以上 6 个条件,从(A1)—(A6).那么不等式(3)的解是:

$$u(t) \leq w^{-1} \left[W^{-1} \left(W(g(t)) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(t, s) ds \right) \right], \quad t \in [t_0, T).$$

其中

$$W(r) = \int_{r_0}^r \frac{1}{H^m(w^{-1}(s))G^m(w^{-1}(s))} ds, \quad 0 \leq r < \infty,$$

r_0 是一个合适的非负常数,使得 $W(r)$ 有定义.

$$H(r) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m} \{ H_{ij}(r) \},$$

$$G(r) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m} \{ G_{ij}(r) \}.$$

证明 取 η 为一任意常数满足 $t_0 \leq t \leq \eta < T$.根据条件(A1)和(A3),不等式(3)可写为:对 $t \in [t_0, \eta]$,

$$w(u(t)) \leq g(\eta) +$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) \prod_{j=1}^m H_{ij}(u(s)) G_{ij}(\max_{s-h \leq \xi \leq s} u(\xi)) ds.$$

对 $t_0 \leq t \leq \eta$,定义上面的不等式的右边为 $Z(t)$,即

$$Z(t) = g(\eta) +$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) \prod_{j=1}^m H_{ij}(u(s)) G_{ij}(\max_{s-h \leq \xi \leq s} u(\xi)) ds.$$

不难看出, $Z(t)$ 非减,且 $0 \leq w(u(t)) \leq Z(t), t \in [t_0, \eta]$.

由(A5), w^{-1} 存在且具有和 w 相同的性质.因此, $u(t) \leq w^{-1}(Z(t)), t_0 \leq t \leq \eta$.

此外,

$$\max_{s-h \leq \xi \leq s} u(\xi) \leq \max_{s-h \leq \xi \leq s} w^{-1}(Z(\xi)) = w^{-1}(Z(s)), \quad t_0 \leq s \leq \eta.$$

因此,对 $t \in [t_0, \eta]$,

$$Z(t) \leq g(\eta) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) \prod_{j=1}^m H_{ij}(w^{-1}(Z(s))) G_{ij}(w^{-1}(Z(s))) ds \leq g(\eta) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) \prod_{j=1}^m$$

$$H(w^{-1}(Z(s)))G(w^{-1}(Z(s)))ds \leq g(\eta) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) H^m(w^{-1}(Z(s)))G^m(w^{-1}(Z(s)))ds.$$

再定义上面的不等式的右边为 $R(t)$, 即:

$$R(t) = g(\eta) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) H^m(w^{-1}(Z(s)))G^m(w^{-1}(Z(s)))ds, t_0 \leq t \leq \eta < T.$$

显然, $R(t_0) = g(\eta), 0 \leq Z(t) \leq R(t), t_0 \leq t \leq \eta < T.$

$$R'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\eta, \alpha_i(t)) H^m(w^{-1}(Z(\alpha_i(t)))) \cdot G^m(w^{-1}(Z(\alpha_i(t)))) \alpha_i'(t) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\eta, \alpha_i(t)) H^m(w^{-1}(Z(t))) \cdot G^m(w^{-1}(Z(t))) \alpha_i'(t) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\eta, \alpha_i(t)) H^m(w^{-1}(R(t))) \cdot G^m(w^{-1}(R(t))) \alpha_i'(t) \leq H^m(w^{-1}(R(t))) G^m(w^{-1}(R(t))) \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\eta, \alpha_i(t)) \alpha_i'(t).$$

所以,

$$\frac{R'(t)}{H^m(w^{-1}(R(t)))G^m(w^{-1}(R(t)))} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\eta, \alpha_i(t)) \alpha_i'(t).$$

即:

$$\frac{d(W(R(t)))}{dt} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\eta, \alpha_i(t)) \alpha_i'(t).$$

对上式从 t_0 到 t 积分, $t \in [t_0, \eta]$, 我们得到:

$$W(R(t)) - W(R(t_0)) \leq \int_{t_0}^t \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\eta, \alpha_i(s)) \alpha_i'(s) ds = \int_{\alpha(t_0)}^{\alpha(t)} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(\eta, s) ds,$$

$$W(R(t)) \leq W(g(\eta)) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) ds.$$

因为 W 连续且严格增, 所以 W^{-1} 存在、连续、严格增. 对上式使用 W^{-1} , 我们得到:

$$R(t) \leq W^{-1} \left(W(g(\eta)) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) ds \right),$$

$$t \in [t_0, \eta],$$

$$w(u(t)) \leq Z(t) \leq R(t) \leq$$

$$W^{-1} \left(W(g(\eta)) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) ds \right),$$

$$t \in [t_0, \eta],$$

$$u(t) \leq w^{-1} \left[W^{-1} \left(W(g(\eta)) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(\eta, s) ds \right) \right], \quad t \in [t_0, \eta].$$

在上式, 取 $t = \eta$, 可得:

$$u(\eta) \leq w^{-1} \left[W^{-1} \left(W(g(\eta)) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(\eta)} f_i(\eta, s) ds \right) \right], \quad t \in [t_0, \eta].$$

由于 η 是区间 $t_0 \leq \eta < T$, 内的一个任意数, 我们得到:

$$u(t) \leq w^{-1} \left[W^{-1} \left(W(g(t)) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(t, s) ds \right) \right], \quad t \in [t_0, T].$$

证毕.

2 应用

我们的结果可以很容易地应用到微分方程的稳定性理论中. 例如, 我们考虑滞后型泛函微分方程

$$\frac{du}{dt} = F(t, u_t), \quad (4)$$

在用 Lyapunov 第二方法研究微分方程稳定性时, 如下条件经常可见:

$$1) W_1(|\phi(0)|) \leq V(t, \phi) < W_2(\|\phi\|);$$

$$2) W_1(|\phi(0)|) \leq V(t, \phi) < W_2(|\phi(0)|) +$$

$$W_3 \left(\int_{-h}^0 |\phi(s)|^2 ds \right);$$

$$3) W_1(|u(t)|_X) \leq V(t, u_t) \leq W_2(D(t, u_t)) +$$

$$\int_{t-h}^t L(s) W_1(|u(s)|_X) ds;$$

$$4) V'_{(4)}(t, \phi) \leq 0;$$

$$5) V'_{(4)}(t, \phi) \leq -W_4(|\phi(0)|);$$

$$6) V'_{(4)}(t, \phi) \leq -W_4 \left(\int_{t-h}^t |\phi(s)| ds \right);$$

$$7) V_{(4)}(t, u_t) \leq -\eta(t) W_2(D(t, u_t)) + P(t).$$

关于与这些条件相关的假设, 定理可在众多的文献中查到, 如文献[4-5, 12-20]. 这些条件加上定理 5, 可以得到对 Lyapunov 函数和解的上界, 文献[13]有一个很相近的例子. 再如, 定理 5 可以很容易地应用到 Volterra 积分方程:

$$X(t) = a(t) + \int_{t-\alpha}^t g(t, s) X(s) ds, \quad X \in \mathbf{R}^n. \quad (5)$$

关于方程(5), 很多论文研究过, 如文献[5, 21-22].

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A nonlinear Volterra-type integral inequality

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Abstract In this paper, we briefly review the development of research on Gronwall's inequality, then obtain a result for the following nonlinear Volterra-type integral inequality:

$$w(u(t)) \leq g(t) + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(t_0)}^{\alpha_i(t)} f_i(t, s) \prod_{j=1}^m H_{ij}(u(s)) G_{ij}(\max_{s-h \leq \xi \leq s} u(\xi)) ds.$$

Key words nonlinear integral inequalities; Gronwall inequality; Gronwall-type inequality; Volterra integro-differential inequalities; Lyapunov's second method