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# HYERS-ULAM STABILITY THEOREMS FOR SECOND ORDER NONLINEAR DAMPED DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH FORCING TERM

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, Hyers-Ulam stability theorems of nonlinear second order damped differential equations with forcing term are considered. By using the Bihari inequality and Gronwall-Bellman-Bihari integral inequality, we obtain new sufficient conditions for the Hyers-Ulam stability of every nonlinear second order differential equation considered. Our results improve and extend some known results.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we study the Hyers-Ulam stability of the following forced nonlinear second order differential equations with damping:

$$(r(t)K_1(u(t), u'(t)))' + p(t)K_2(u(t), u'(t))u'(t) + q(t)f(u(t)) = P(t, u(t), u'(t))$$

$$(1.1)$$

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$$u''(t) + np(t)Q(t, u(t))u'(t) + q(t)f(u(t)) = P(t, u(t), u'(t)), \quad (1.2)$$

for all t > 0, with initial conditions

$$u(t_0) = u'(t_0) = 0, (1.3)$$

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where r(t), p(t),  $q(t) \in C(\mathbf{R}_+)$ ,  $f \in C(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $K_1, K_2 \in C(\mathbf{R}^2)$ ,  $Q \in C(\mathbf{R}_+ \times \mathbf{R})$ ,  $P \in C(\mathbf{R}_+ \times \mathbf{R}^2)$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_+ = [0, \infty)$  and  $\mathbf{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ . The Hyers-Ulam stability of equations (1.1), (1.2) and their variants are considered by transforming the equations into integral inequalities for easy use of Bihari and Gronwall-Bellman-Bihari inequalities.

The study of stability problem for various functional equations originated from a famous talk of S.M. Ulam. In 1940, Ulam [32] posed a problem concerning the stability of functional equations: 'Give conditions in order for a linear function near an approximately linear function to exist'. Since then, this question has attracted the attention of many researchers. The solution to this question was given by Hyers [13] for additive functions defined on Banach spaces in 1941. Thereafter, the result by Hyers [13] was generalised by Rassias [26], Aoki [3] and Bourgin[5].

A generalisation of Ulam's problem was proposed by replacing functional equations with differential equations. Obloza [23] seems to be the first author to prove the Ulam stability of differential equations. Thereafter, the Hyers-Ulam stability of various linear differential equations were extensively studied. In 1998, Alsina and Ger [2] proved the following : Assume that a differentiable function  $f: \mathbf{I} \to \mathbf{R}$  is a solution of the differential inequality  $|u'(t) - u(t)| \leq \epsilon$ , then there exists a solution  $f_0: \mathbf{I} \to \mathbf{R}$  of the differential equation u'(t) = u(t) such that  $|f(t) - f_0(t)| \leq 3\epsilon$  for any  $t \in \mathbf{I}$ .

Following the same approach as in [2], Miura *et al.* [20], Miura [19], Takahasi *et al.* [30], and Miura *et al.*, [21] proved that the Hyers-Ulam stability holds true for the differential equation

$$u'(t) = \lambda u(t), \tag{1.4}$$

while Jung [17] proved a similar result for the differential equation

$$\psi(t)u'(t) = u(t). \tag{1.5}$$

Furthermore, the result of Hyers-Ulam for first-order linear differential equations was generalised by Miura *et al.*[22], by Takahasi *et al.* [30] and Jung [15]. They dealt with the nonhomogeneous linear differential equation of first order

$$u'(t) + p(t)u(t) + q(t) = 0.$$
(1.6)

Recently, Jung [16] proved that the differential equations of the form

$$tu'(t) + \alpha u(t) + \beta t^r x_0 = 0$$
 (1.7)

satisfy the generalised Hyers-Ulam stability and then applied the result in the investigation of the Hyers-Ulam stability of the Euler(Cauchy) differential equation

$$t^{2}u''(t) + \alpha tu'(t) + \beta u(t) = 0.$$
(1.8)

In their work, Li and Shen [29] proved that if the characteristic equation  $\lambda^2 + \alpha \lambda + \beta = 0$  has two distinct positive roots, then the second

order linear differential equation with constant coefficients

$$u''(t) + \alpha y'(t) + \beta y(t) = f(t)$$
(1.9)

has the Hyers-Ulam stability where  $y \in C^2[a, b]$ ,  $f \in C[a, b]$  and  $-\infty < a, b < +\infty$ . Ghaemi *et al.* [12] proved the Hyers-Ulam stability of the exact second order linear differential equation

$$p_0(t)u''(t) + p_1(t)u'(t) + p_2(t)u + f(t) = 0$$
(1.10)

with  $p''_0(t) - p_1(t)' + p_2(t) = 0$ . Here,  $p_0, p_1, p_2, f : (a, b) \to \mathbf{R}$  are continuous functions.

The following authors also discussed Hyers-Ulam stability of nonlinear differential equations: Rus [27, 28] Qarawani [24, 25], Algfiary and Jung [1], Fakunle and Arawomo [9, 10, 11].

#### 2. PRELIMINARY

The following definitions, lemmas and theorems are necessary for our results

**Definition 1.** We say that equation (1.1) has the Hyers-Ulam stability, if there exists a constant  $K_1^* \ge 0$  with the following property: for every  $\epsilon > 0, u(t) \in C^2(\mathbf{R}_+)$ , if

$$\frac{|(r(t)K_1(u(t), u'(t)))' + p(t)K_2(u(t), u'(t))u'(t) + q(t)f(u(t))}{-P(t, u(t), u'(t))| \le \epsilon},$$
(2.1)

then, there exists some  $u_0(t) \in C^2(\mathbf{R}_+)$  such that

$$|u(t) - u_0(t)| \le K_1^* \epsilon.$$

We call such  $K_1^*$  a Hyers-Ulam constant.

**Definition 2.** The differential equation (1.2) has the Hyers-Ulam stability with initial condition (1.3), if there exists a positive constant  $K_2^* \ge 0$ with the following property: for every  $\epsilon \ge 0$ ,  $u(t) \in C^2(\mathbf{R}_+)$ , which satisfies

$$|u''(t) + np(t)Q(t, u(t))(u'(t)) + q(t)f(u(t)) - P(t, u(t), u'(t))| \le \epsilon, (2.2)$$

then there exists a function  $u_0(t) \in C^2(\mathbf{R}_+)$  satisfying (1.2) with initial condition (1.3) such that

$$|u(t) - u_0(t)| \le K_2^* \epsilon,$$

We call such  $K_2^*$  Hyers-Ulam stability constant for the differential equation (1.2) with initial conditions (1.3).

**Definition 3.** A function  $\omega : [0, \infty) \to [0, \infty)$  is said to belong to a class  $\Psi$  if

i  $\omega(u)$  is nondecreasing and continuous for  $u \ge 0$ , ii  $(\frac{1}{v})\omega(u) \le \omega(\frac{u}{v})$  for all u and  $v \ge 1$ ,

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iii there exists a function  $\phi$ , continuous on  $[0,\infty)$  with  $\omega(\alpha u) \leq \phi(\alpha)\omega(u)$  for  $\alpha \geq 0$ .

**Lemma 1.** [4] Let u(t), f(t) be positive continuous functions defined on  $t_0 \leq t \leq b$ ,  $(\leq \infty)$  and K > 0,  $M \geq 0$ , further let  $\omega(u)$  be a nonnegative nondecreasing continuous function for  $u \geq 0$ , then the inequality

$$u(t) \le K + M \int_{t_0}^t f(s)\omega(u(s))ds, \ t_0 \le t < b,$$
 (2.3)

implies the inequality

$$u(t) \le \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(k) + M \int_{t_0}^t f(s) ds \right), \ t_0 \le t \le b' \le b,$$
 (2.4)

where

$$\Omega(u) = \int_{u_0}^{u} \frac{dt}{\omega(t)}, \quad 0 < u_0 < u.$$
(2.5)

In the case  $\omega(0) > 0$  or  $\Omega(0+)$  is finite, one may take  $u_0 = 0$  and  $\Omega^{-1}$  is the inverse function of  $\Omega$  and t must be in the subinterval  $[t_0, b']$  of  $[t_0, b]$  such that

$$\Omega(k) + M \int_{t_0}^t f(s) ds \in Dom(\Omega^{-1}).$$

**Theorem 1.** [6] Let

i  $u(t), r(t) : (0, \infty) \to (0, \infty)$  and continuous on  $(0, \infty)$ , ii  $\varpi \in \Psi$ ,

iii n > 0 be monotonic, nondecreasing and continuous on  $(0, \infty)$ ,

$$u(t) \le n(t) + \int_0^t f(s)\varpi(u(s))ds, \ 0 < t < \infty,$$
 (2.6)

then

$$u(t) \le n(t)\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + \int_0^t f(s)ds \right) \ 0 < t \le b,$$
 (2.7)

for  $(0,b) \subset (0,\infty)$ , where  $\Omega(u)$  is defined in (2.5),  $\Omega^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $\Omega$  and t is in the subinterval (0,b) chosen so that

$$\Omega(1) + \int_0^t f(s)ds \in Dom(\Omega^{-1}).$$

**Theorem 2.** [18] If f(t) and g(t) are continuous in  $[t_0, t] \subseteq \mathbf{I}$  and f(t) does not change sign in the interval, then there is a point  $\xi \in [t_0, t]$  such that  $\int_{t_0}^t g(s)f(s)ds = g(\xi) \int_{t_0}^t f(s)ds$ 

**Theorem 3.** [8, 7] Suppose  $u(t), r(t), h(t) \in C(\mathbf{I}, \mathbf{R}_+)$  and  $\varpi(u), \beta(u) \in \Psi$  are nonnegative, monotonic, nondecreasing, continuous functions and  $\omega(u)$  a submultiplicative function for u > 0. Let

$$u(t) \le K + T \int_{t_0}^t r(s)\beta(u(s))ds + L \int_{t_0}^t h(s)\varpi(u(s))ds$$
 (2.8)

for K, T and L positive constants, then

$$u(t) \leq \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(K) + L \int_{t_0}^t h(s) \varpi \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + T \int_{t_0}^s r(\alpha) d\alpha \right) \right) ds \right)$$
$$F^{-1} \left( F(1) + T \int_{t_0}^t r(s) ds \right)$$
(2.9)

where  $\beta(u) \neq \varpi(u)$ ,  $\Omega$  is defined in equation (2.5) and F(u) is defined as

$$F(u) = \int_{u_0}^{u} \frac{ds}{\beta(s)}, \quad 0 < u_0 \le u,$$
(2.10)

 $F^{-1},\,\Omega^{-1}$  are the inverses of  $F,\,\Omega$  respectively and t is in the subinterval  $(0,b)\in {\bf I}$  so that

$$F(1) + T \int_{t_0}^t r(s) ds \in Dom(F^{-1})$$

and

$$\Omega(K) + L \int_{t_0}^t h(s) \varpi \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + T \int_{t_0}^t r(\alpha) d\alpha \right) \right) ds \in Dom(\Omega^{-1})$$

**Corollary 1.** [7, 8] Suppose  $\rho(t)$  is a nonnegative, monotonic, nondecreasing continuous function on  $\mathbf{R}_+$ . Let

$$u(t) \le \rho(t) + T \int_{t_0}^t r(s)\beta(u(s))ds + L \int_{t_0}^t h(s)\varpi(u(s))ds, \qquad (2.11)$$

for T and L be positive constants, then

$$u(t) \leq \rho(t)\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + L \int_{t_0}^t h(s)\varpi \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + T \int_{t_0}^t r(\alpha)d\alpha \right) \right) \right) ds \right)$$
$$F^{-1} \left( F(1) + T \int_{t_0}^t r(s)ds \right), \quad t \in \mathbf{I},$$
(2.12)

where  $\Omega(u)$  and F(u) are defined as in (2.5) and (2.10) respectively.

**Theorem 4.** [8, 7] If  $u(t), r(t), h(t), \rho(t), g(t) \in C(\mathbf{R}_+)$  and  $\omega, f, \gamma \in \Psi$  be nonnegative, monotonic, nondecreasing continuous functions. Let  $\gamma$ 

be a submultiplicative function. If

$$u(t) \leq \rho(t) + A \int_{t_0}^t r(s)\beta(u(s))ds + B \int_{t_0}^t h(s)\varpi(u(s))ds + L \int_{t_0}^t g(s)\gamma(u(s))ds$$

$$(2.13)$$

for K, A, B, L > 0, then

$$u(t) \leq \rho(t)\Upsilon^{-1}$$

$$\left[\Upsilon(1) + L \int_{t_0}^t g(s)\gamma \left[\Omega^{-1} \left(\Omega(1) + B \int_{t_0}^s h(\alpha)\varpi \left(T(\alpha)\right) d\alpha\right) T(s)\right] ds\right]$$

$$\Omega^{-1} \left(\Omega(1) + B \int_{t_0}^t h(s)\varpi \left(T(s)\right) ds\right) T(t)$$
(2.14)

where T(t) is given as

$$T(t) = F^{-1}\left(F(1) + A \int_{t_0}^t r(s)ds\right)$$
(2.15)

and

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$$\Upsilon(r) = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{ds}{\gamma(s)}, \quad 0 < r_0 \le r,$$
(2.16)

and  $F^{-1}$ ,  $\Omega^{-1}$  and  $\Upsilon^{-1}$  are the inverses of F,  $\Omega$ ,  $\Upsilon$  respectively  $t \in (0,b) \subset (I)$ . So that

$$\Upsilon(1) + L \int_{t_0}^t g(s)\gamma \left[ \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + B \int_{t_0}^s h(\alpha) \varpi \left( T(\alpha) \right) d\alpha \right) T(s) \right] ds \in Dom(\Upsilon^{-1})$$

**Lemma 2.** [14] Let r(t) be an integrable function then the n successive integration of r over the interval  $[t_0, t]$  is given by

$$\int_{t_0}^t \cdots \int_{t_0}^t r(s) ds^n = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_{t_0}^t (t-s)^{n-1} r(s) ds$$
(2.17)

## 3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we establish the Hyers-Ulam stability of the nonlinear differential equations (1.1) ,(1.2) and the case P(t, u(t), u'(t)) = 0. We shall also prove the Hyers-Ulam stability of the nonlinear differential equation (1.1) with initial conditions (1.3).

**Theorem 5.** Assume the following conditions:

i 
$$P(t, u(t), u'(t)) = \phi(t)g(u(t))h((u'(t))^4)$$
  
ii  $K_1(u(t), u'(t)) = \gamma(u(t))b(u'(t))u'(t)^n$ , where  $n \in \mathbf{N}$   
iii  $K_2(u(t), u'(t)) = \omega(u(t))(u'(t))^2$ 

iv 
$$\lim_{t_0\to\infty} \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds = L$$
, where  $L > 0$ ,  
v  $\lim_{t_0\to\infty} \int_{t_0}^t \phi(s) ds \le n_1 < \infty$ , where  $n_1 > 0$ ,  
vi  $\lim_{t_0\to\infty} \int_{t_0}^t p(s) ds \le n_2 < \infty$ , where  $n_2 > 0$ ,  
vii  $\lim_{t_0\to\infty} \int_{t_0}^t r(s) ds \le n_3 < \infty$ , where  $n_3 > 0$ ,  
viii  $q(t)|F(u(t))| \ge |u(t)|$ ,

are satisfied and  $\phi, \gamma, \omega, g, h, b \in C(\mathbf{R}_+)$ . In addition, if  $\varpi(u(t)) \in \Psi$  is continuous, nondecreasing and monotonic, then equation (1.1) has the Hyers-Ulam stability with Hyers-Ulam constant given by

$$K_{1}^{*} = L\Upsilon^{-1} \left[ \Upsilon(1) + h(|u'(\delta)|^{4})|u'(\delta) \right]$$
  

$$n_{3}g \left[ \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|^{4}n_{2}\omega(T^{*})) T^{*} \right] \right]$$
  

$$\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|)^{4}n_{2}\omega(T^{*}) \right) T^{*}.$$
  
(3.1)

*Proof.* Using inequality (2.1) and multiplying both sides by u'(t) we have

$$-\epsilon u'(t) \le (r(t)K_1(u(t), u'(t))'u'(t) + p(t)K_2(u(t), u'(t))(u'(t))^2 + q(t)f(u(t))u'(t) - P(t, u(t), u'(t))u'(t) \le \epsilon u'(t),$$
(3.2)

Considering (3.2) in the form

$$(r(t)K_{1}(u(t), u'(t))'u'(t) + p(t)K_{2}(u(t), u'(t))(u'(t))^{2} + q(t)f(u(t))u'(t) - P(t, u(t), u'(t))u'(t) \le \epsilon u'(t).$$
(3.3)

Integrate both sides of (3.3) twice and apply Lemma 2, to obtain

$$\int_{t_0}^t \int_{t_0}^t (r(s)K_1(u(s), u'(s))'u'(s)dsds + t \int_{t_0}^t p(s)K_2(u(s), u'(s))(u'(s))^2ds + t \int_{t_0}^t q(s)f(u(s))u'(s)ds - t \int_{t_0}^t P(s, u(s), u'(s))u'(s)ds \le t\epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.4)

 $\operatorname{Set}$ 

$$F(u(t)) = \int_{u_0}^{u(t)} f(s)ds,$$
(3.5)

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apply equation (3.5) in inequality (3.4) and integrate to get

$$\int_{t_0}^t r(s)K_1(u(s), u'(s))u'(s)ds + t \int_{t_0}^t p(s)K_2(u(s), u'(s))(u'(s))^2ds + tq(t)F(u(t)) - t \int_{t_0}^t P(s, u(s), u'(s))u'(s)ds \le t\epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.6)

Using conditions (i-iii) we obtain

$$\int_{t_0}^t r(s)\gamma(u(s))b(u'(s))u'(s)^{n+1}ds + t \int_{t_0}^t p(s)\omega(u(s))(u'(s))^4ds + tq(t)F(u(t)) - t \int_{t_0}^t \phi(s)g(u(s))h((u'(s))^4)u'(s)ds \le t\epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.7)

The application of Theorem 2 implies there exists  $\xi,\rho,\delta\in[t_0,t]$  such that

$$b(u'(\xi))u'(\xi)^{n+1} \int_{t_0}^t (r(s)\gamma(u(s))ds + t(u'(\rho))^4 \int_{t_0}^t p(s)\omega(u(s))ds + tq(t)F(u(t)) - th((u'(\delta))^4)u'(\delta) \int_{t_0}^t \phi(s)g(u(s))ds \le t\epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.8)

Multiplying by  $\frac{1}{t}, t \neq 0$  we obtain

$$q(t)F(u(t)) \leq \epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds - b(u'(\xi))u'(\xi)^{n+1} \int_{t_0}^t r(s)\gamma(u(s))ds - (u'(\rho))^4 \int_{t_0}^t p(s)\omega(u(s))ds + h((u'(\delta))^4)u'(\delta) \int_{t_0}^t \phi(s)g(u(s))ds.$$
(3.9)

By conditions (iv) and (viii) we have

$$|u(t)| \le \epsilon L + b(|u'(\xi)|)|u'(\xi)|^{n+1} \int_{t_0}^t r(s)\gamma(|u(s)|)ds + (|u'(\rho)|)^4 \int_{t_0}^t p(s)\omega(|u(s)|)ds + h((|u'(\delta)|)^4)|u'(\delta)| \int_{t_0}^t \phi(s)g(|u(s)|)ds$$
(3.10)

and the application of Theorem 4 gives

$$\begin{aligned} |u(t)| &\leq \epsilon L \Upsilon^{-1} \left[ \Upsilon(1) + h(|u'(\delta)|^4) |u'(\delta)| \right. \\ \int_{t_0}^t \phi(s) g \left[ \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|^4 \int_{t_0}^s p(\alpha) \omega \left( T(\alpha) \right) d\alpha \right) T(s) \right] ds \right] \\ \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|)^4 \int_{t_0}^t p(s) \omega \left( T(s) \right) ds \right) T(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.11)$$

 $\operatorname{for}$ 

$$T(t) = F^{-1}\left(F(1) + b(|u'(\xi)|)|u'(\xi)|^{n+1}\int_{t_0}^t r(s)ds\right).$$
 (3.12)

Applying conditions (vi)- (vii), we arrive at

$$|u(t)| \leq \epsilon L \Upsilon^{-1} \left[ \Upsilon(1) + h(|u'(\delta)|^4) |u'(\delta)| \right. \\ n_{3g} \left[ \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|^4 n_2 \omega (T^*)) T^* \right] \right]$$
(3.13)  
 
$$\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|)^4 n_2 \omega (T^*) \right) T^*,$$

where  $T^*$  is defined by

$$T^* = F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u'(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} n_3 \right).$$
(3.14)

Hence,

$$|u(t) - u(t_0)| \le |u(t)| \le K_1^* \epsilon$$

with

$$K_1^* = L\Upsilon^{-1} \left[ \Upsilon(1) + h(|u'(\delta)|^4) |u'(\delta)| \right]$$
  

$$n_3 g \left[ \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|^4 n_2 \omega (T^*)) T^* \right] \right]$$
  

$$\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|)^4 n_2 \omega (T^*) \right) T^*.$$

**Theorem 6.** Suppose that the conditions of Theorem 5 are satisfied. In addition, let

i' 
$$Q(t, u(t)) = v(t)\alpha(u(t))$$
 where  $v(t)$  a continuous function on  $\mathbf{R}_+$   
ii'  $\lim_{t_0 \to \infty} \int_{t_0}^t p(s)v(s)ds \le k_4 < \infty$ , where  $k_4 > 0$ ,

hold true for a function  $\alpha(u(t)) \in \Psi$  continuous, nondecreasing and monotonic, then equation (1.2) has the Hyers-Ulam stability with Hyers-Ulam constant given by

$$K_{2}^{*} = \left(L + u''(\xi)L\right)\Omega^{-1}\left(\Omega(1) + h(\lambda)^{4}\right)\lambda$$

$$k_{1}g\left(F^{-1}\left(F(1) + n(\lambda)^{2}n_{4}\right)\right)\right)$$

$$F^{-1}\left(F(1) + n\lambda^{2}n_{4}\right).$$
(3.15)

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*Proof.* Evaluate inequality (2.2) and multiply both sides by u'(t), we get

$$-u'(t)\epsilon \le u''(t)u'(t) + np(t)Q(t,u(t))(u'(t))u'(t) +q(t)f(u(t))u'(t) - P(t,u(t),u'(t))u'(t) \le u'(t)\epsilon.$$
(3.16)

Integrate inequality (3.16) twice, apply Lemma 2 and equation (3.5) to obtain

$$-\epsilon t \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds \le t \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)u''(s)ds + nt \int_{t_0}^t p(s)Q(s,u(s))(u'(s))^2ds + t \int_{t_0}^t q(s)\frac{d}{ds}F(u(s)ds - t \int_{t_0}^t P(s,u(s),u'(s))u'(s)ds \le \epsilon t \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.17)

Divide through by  $t \neq 0$  and integrate, for q(t) nondecreasing,  $q'(t) \geq 0$ then the application of Theorem 2 implies that there exists  $\xi \in [t_0, t]$ such that

$$q(t)F(u(t)) \le \epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds - u''(\xi) \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds - n \int_{t_0}^t p(s)Q(s,u(s))(u'(s))^2ds + \int_{t_0}^t P(s,u(s),u'(s))u'(s)ds.$$
(3.18)

We use condition (i') of Theorem 6 and condition (ii) of Theorem 5 to get

$$q(t)|F(u(t))| \le \epsilon \left(\int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)|ds + u''(\xi)\int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)|ds\right) + n \int_{t_0}^t p(s)v(s)\alpha(|u(s)|)(|u'(s)|)^2 ds + \int_{t_0}^t \phi(s)g(|u(s)|)h(|(u'(s)|)^4)(|u(s)|) ds.$$
(3.19)

For t > 0, the use of condition (viii) in Theorem 5 gives

$$|u(t)| \leq \epsilon \left( \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds + |u''(\xi)| \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds \right) + n(|u'(t)|)^2 \int_{t_0}^t p(s)v(s)\alpha(|u(s)|) ds + h((|u'(t)|)^4)(|u'(t)|) \int_{t_0}^t \phi(s)g(|u(s)|) ds.$$
(3.20)

Applying Corollary 4 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |u(t)| &\leq \epsilon \left( \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds + u''(\xi) \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds \right) \\ &\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + h((|u'(t)|)^4)(|u'(t)|) \right) \\ &\int_{t_0}^t \phi(s) g \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + n(|u'(t)|)^2 \int_{t_0}^t p(\alpha) v(\alpha) d\alpha \right) \right) \right) ds \right) \\ & F^{-1} \left( F(1) + n(|u'(t)|)^2 \int_{t_0}^s p(s) v(s) ds \right), \quad t \in \mathbf{I}. \end{aligned}$$
(3.21)

Setting  $|u'(t)| \leq \lambda$  and applying conditions (vi), (v) of Theorem 5 and (ii') of Theorem 6, we arrive at

$$|u(t)| \le \epsilon \left( L + u''(\xi)L \right) \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + h(\lambda)^4 \right) (\lambda) n_1 g \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + n\lambda^2 n_4 \right) \right) F^{-1} \left( F(1) + n\lambda^2 n_4 \right).$$
(3.22)

Hence,

$$|u(t) - u(t_0)| \le |u(t)| \le K_2^* \epsilon,$$

where

$$K_2^* = \left(L + u''(\xi)L\right)\Omega^{-1}\left(\Omega(1) + h(\lambda)^4\right)\lambda$$
$$n_1g\left(F^{-1}\left(F(1) + n\lambda^2 n_4\right)\right)\right)$$
$$F^{-1}\left(F(1) + n\lambda^2 n_4\right).$$

For P(t, u(t), u'(t)) = 0 in equations (1.1) and (1.2) the results are given in the following theorems:

**Theorem 7.** Suppose that all the conditions of Theorem 5 remain valid. Then for P(t, u(t), u'(t)) = 0 in equation (1.1), the equation

$$(r(t)K_1(u(t), u'(t)))'u'(t) + p(t)K_2(u(t), u'(t))(u'(t))^2 + q(t)f(u(t))u'(t) = 0,$$
(3.23)

has Hyers-Ulam stability with the Hyers-Ulam constant given by

$$K_{3}^{*} = L\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|)^{4} n_{2} \varpi \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} n_{3} \right) \right) \right)$$

$$F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u'(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} n_{3} \right).$$
(3.24)

*Proof.* Using inequality (2.1) and multiplying both sides of the equation by u'(t) we have

$$-\epsilon u'(t) \le (r(t)K_1(u(t), u'(t)))'u'(t) +p(t)K_2(u(t), u'(t))(u'(t))^2 + q(t)f(u(t))u'(t) \le \epsilon u'(t).$$
(3.25)

It is clear that

$$(r(t)K_1(u(t), u'(t)))'u'(t) + p(t)K_2(u(t), u'(t))(u'(t))^2 + q(t)f(u(t))u'(t) \le \epsilon u'(t).$$
(3.26)

Integrating the inequality (3.26) and applying Lemma 2, we obtain

$$\int_{t_0}^t \int_{t_0}^t (r(s)K_1(u(s), u'(s)))'u'(s)dsds + t \int_{t_0}^t p(s)K_2(u(s), u'(s))(u'(s))^2ds + t \int_{t_0}^t q(s)f(u(s))u'(s) \le t\epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.27)

If we apply equation (3.5) to inequality (3.27) and integrate for  $q'(t) \ge 0$  since q(t) is nondecreasing, we get

$$\int_{t_0}^t (r(s)K_1(u(s), u'(s))u'(s)ds + t \int_{t_0}^t p(s)K_2(u(s), u'(s))(u'(s))^2 ds + tq(t)F(u(t)) \le t\epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.28)

Using conditions (ii) and (iii) of Theorem 5, we obtain

$$\int_{t_0}^t r(s)\gamma(u(s))b(u'(s))u'(s)^{n+1}ds + t \int_{t_0}^t p(s)\omega(u(s))(u'(s))^4 ds + tq(t)F(u(t)) \le t\epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.29)

Applying Theorem 2 implies there exists  $\xi, \rho \in [t_0, t]$  such that

$$b(u'(\xi))u'(\xi)^{n+1} \int_{t_0}^t r(s)\gamma(u(s))ds + t(u'(\rho))^4 \int_{t_0}^t p(s)\omega(u(s))ds + tq(t)F(u(t)) \le t\epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.30)

Let inequality (3.30) be multiplying by  $\frac{1}{t}$ ,  $t \neq 0$  to get

$$q(t)F(u(t)) \leq \epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds - b(u'(\xi))u'(\xi)^{n+1} \int_{t_0}^t r(s)\gamma(u(s))ds -(u'(\rho))^4 \int_{t_0}^t p(s)\omega(u(s))ds.$$
(3.31)

By condition (iv) of Theorem 5 and for  $q(t)|F(u(t))| \ge |u(t)|$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |u(t))| &\leq \epsilon L + b(|u'(\xi)|)|u'(\xi)|^{n+1} \int_{t_0}^t r(s)\gamma(|u(s)|)ds \\ &+ (|u'(\rho)|)^4 \int_{t_0}^t p(s)\omega(|u(s)|)ds. \end{aligned}$$
(3.32)

Apply Corollary 1 to get

$$|u(t)| \leq \epsilon L \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|)^4 \int_{t_0}^t p(s) \varpi \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} \int_{t_0}^t r(\alpha) d\alpha \right) \right) \right) ds \right)$$
(3.33)  
$$F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u'(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} \int_{t_0}^t r(s) ds \right), \quad t \in \mathbf{I}.$$

Further application of conditions (vi)- (vii) of Theorem 5, gives

$$|u(t)| \leq \epsilon L \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|)^4 n_2 \varpi \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} n_3 \right) \right) ds \right)$$

$$F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u'(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} n_3 \right).$$
(3.34)

Therefore,

$$K_3^* = L\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + (|u'(\rho)|)^4 n_2 \varpi \left( F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} n_3 \right) \right) \right)$$
  
$$F^{-1} \left( F(1) + b(|u'(\xi)|) |u'(\xi)|^{n+1} n_3 \right).$$

**Theorem 8.** Suppose all the conditions of Theorem 5 and those of Theorem 6 hold true. Then, the equation

$$u''(t) + np(t)Q(t, u(t))(u'(t)) + q(t)f(u(t)) = 0,$$
(3.35)

has the Hyers-Ulam stability and Hyers-Ulam constant:

$$K_4^* = \left(L + u''(\xi)L\right)\Omega^{-1}\left(\Omega(1) + n\lambda^2 n_4\right).$$
(3.36)

*Proof.* Put P(t, u(t), u'(t)) = 0, in inequality (2.2), multiply by u'(t), integrate twice and apply Lemma 2 to obtain

$$-u'(t)\epsilon \le u''(t)u'(t) + np(t)Q(t,u(t))(u'(t))u'(t) +q(t)f(u(t))u'(t) \le u'(t)\epsilon.$$
(3.37)

Integrate inequality (3.37) twice, apply Lemma 2 and equation (3.5) to get

$$-\epsilon t \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds \le t \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)u''(s)ds + nt \int_{t_0}^t p(s)Q(s,u(s))(u'(s))^2 ds + t \int_{t_0}^t q(s)\frac{d}{ds}F(u(s))ds \le \epsilon t \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds.$$
(3.38)

Divide through by t, integrate and note that for q(t) nondecreasing,  $q'(t) \ge 0$ 

the application of Theorem 2 implies there exists  $\xi \in [t_0, t]$  such that

$$q(t)F(u(t)) \le \epsilon \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds - u''(\xi) \int_{t_0}^t u'(s)ds - n \int_{t_0}^t p(s)Q(s, u(s))(u'(s))^2ds$$
(3.39)

and using condition (i') of Theorem 6 together with condition (ii) of Theorem 5 gives

$$q(t)|F(u(t))| \le \epsilon \left(\int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)|ds + u''(\xi)\int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)|ds\right) + n \int_{t_0}^t p(s)v(s)\alpha(|u(s)|)(|u'(s)|)^2 ds.$$
(3.40)

For t > 0, use condition (viii) of Theorem 5 to get

$$|u(t)| \leq \epsilon \left( \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds + u''(\xi) \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds \right)$$
  
+ $n(|u'(t)|)^2 \int_{t_0}^t p(s)v(s)\alpha(|u(s)|) ds.$  (3.41)

Applying Theorem 1, we obtain

$$|u(t)| \le \epsilon \left( \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds + u''(\xi) \int_{t_0}^t |u'(s)| ds \right)$$
  

$$\Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + n(|u'(t)|)^2 \int_0^t p(s)v(s) ds \right), \ 0 < t \le b.$$
(3.42)

Setting  $|u'(t)| \leq \lambda$  and applying condition (ii') of Theorem 6, we arrive at

$$|u(t)| \le \epsilon \left( L + u''(\xi)L \right) \Omega^{-1} \left( \Omega(1) + n\lambda n_4 \right).$$
(3.43)

Hence,

$$|u(t) - u(t_0)| \le |u(t)| \le K_4^* \epsilon$$

with

$$K_4^* = \left(L + u''(\xi)L\right)\Omega^{-1}\left(\Omega(1) + n\lambda^2 n_4\right).$$

**Example 1.** Consider the following equation

$$\left(\frac{1}{t^4}u^4(t)(u'(t))^2\right) + \frac{1}{t^2}u^2(t)(u'(t))^4 + t^2u^2(t) = \frac{1}{t^6}u^2(t)(u'(t))^8, \ t > 0,$$

where  $K_1(u(t), u'(t)) = u^4(t)(u'(t))^2$ ,  $K_2(u(t), u'(t)) = u^2(t)(u'(t))^3$ ,  $q(t)f(u(t)) = t^2 u^2(t)$ ,  $P(t, u(t), u'(t)) = \frac{1}{t^6} u^2(t)(u'(t))^8$ ,  $r(t) = \frac{1}{t^4}$ ,  $p(t) = \frac{1}{t^2}$ ,  $\phi(t) = \frac{1}{t^6}$ . By the criteria of Theorem 5, we arrive at the result.

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