# THE EXISTENCE OF ALMOST PERIODIC SOLUTIONS AND PERIODIC SOLUTIONS

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#### Abstract

In this paper, it is obtained that a periodic system has an almost periodic solution if it has a solution  $x=\varphi(t)$  uniformly stable with respect to  $\Omega_{\varphi}$ , and has a periodic solution if  $x=\varphi(t)$  is weakly uniformly asymptotically stable with respect to  $\Omega_{\varphi}$ . Meanwhile, it is also obtained that a uniformly almost periodic system has an almost periodic solution if it has a solution  $x=\varphi(t)$  uniformly asymptotically stable with respect to  $A_{\varphi}^{f}$ 

### § 1. Introduction

L. G. Deysach and G. R. Sell <sup>(1)</sup>, proved that a periodic system has an almost periodic solution if it has a uniformly stable bounded solution. C. R. Sell<sup>(2)</sup> proved that a periodic system has a periodic solution if it has a uniformly asymptotically stable bounded solution. But these conditions are difficult to satisfy. For example, the system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x$$

has a periodic solution

$$x(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

but it is not uniformly stable. The main aims of this paper is to weaken the conditions of [1] and [2].

# § 2. Almost Periodic Solutions of Periodic Systems

Consider the n dimensional system

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$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, t), \tag{1}$$

where  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . is a continuous vector function.

In following proposition, we suppose that system (1) and its hull system satisfy the conditions of the uniqueness of solution.

**Definition 2.1.** The solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of system (1) is uniformly stable with respect to E (or USR E) if  $x = \varphi(t)$  is bounded in R and for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$  such that if  $x(t, x_0, t_0)$  is a solution of (1) and  $x \in E \cap N(\varphi(t_0), \delta(x))$ , then  $\|\varphi(t) - x(t, x_0, t_0)\| < \varepsilon$   $(t \ge t_0)$ ,

where

$$E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$
,  $N(\varphi(t_0), \delta(\varepsilon)) = \{x \mid ||x - \varphi(t_0)|| < \varepsilon\}$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** If the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of system (1) is USR  $E_1$ , and  $E_2 \subset E_1$ , then it is USR  $E_2$ .

Proof From Defintion 2.1 we can get the proof.

If  $f: R^n \times R \rightarrow R^n$ ,  $g: R^n \times R \rightarrow R^n$ ,  $\varphi: R \rightarrow R^n$ , we take some notations.

(i)  $f(x, t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} g(x, t)$  denotes  $\{f(x, t+t_k)\}$  uniformly converges to g(x, t) in any compact subset of  $R^n \times R$ .  $f(x, t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\text{unif}} g(x, t)$  denotes  $\{f(x, t+t_k)\}$  uniformly converges to g(x, t) in  $V \times R$ , where V is any compact subset of  $R^n$ .

(ii) 
$$H(f) = \{g \mid \text{ there is a sequence } \{t_k\}, f(x, t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} g(x, t)\},$$

 $\Omega(f) = \{g \mid \text{ there is a sequence } \{t_k\}, \text{ with } t_k \to +\infty, f(x, t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} g(x, t)\}.$ 

(iii)  $H_{\varphi} = \{x \mid \text{ there is a sequence } \{t_k\}, \ \varphi(t_k) \rightarrow x\}.$ 

 $\Omega_{\varphi} = \{x \mid \text{ there is a sequence } \{t_k\} \text{ with } t_k \to +\infty, \ \varphi(t_k) \to x\}.$ 

**Lemma 2.2.** If the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is USR E and  $(\overline{\varphi}, \overline{f}) \in H(\varphi, f)$ , then the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \overline{f}(x, t) \tag{2}$$

is USR E and  $\delta(s)$  in Definition 2.1 are inherited by the hull system (2).

Proof Refer to the proof of [4. Theorem 5.3].

**Lemma 2.3.** If there is a sequence  $\{t_k\}$  with  $t_k \ge 0$  and  $\varphi(t+t_k) \to \overline{\varphi}(t)$ , then  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}} \subset \Omega_{\varphi}$ .

*Proof* Any  $x_0 \in \Omega_{\overline{\varphi}}$ , there is a sequence  $\{\overline{t}_k\}$  with  $\overline{t}_k \to +\infty$  such that  $\overline{\varphi}(\overline{t}_k) \to X_0$ . Hence for  $\varepsilon_m = 1/2m > 0$  there exist  $k_m$  such that

$$\|\overline{\varphi}(\overline{t}_{k_m}) - x_0\| < 1/2m. \tag{3}$$

Fixed 
$$\overline{t}_{k_m}$$
, because  $\varphi(\overline{t}_{k_m} + t_k) \to \overline{\varphi}(\overline{t}_{k_m})$  as  $k \to \infty$ , there is an  $r_m$  such that 
$$\|\varphi(\overline{t}_{k_m} + t_{r_m}) - \overline{\varphi}(\overline{t}_{k_m})\| < 1/2m. \tag{4}$$

From (3) and (4) we obtain

$$\|\varphi(\bar{t}_{k_m}+t_{r_m})-x_0\|<1/m.$$

Take  $t'_m = \bar{t}_{k_m} + t_{r_m}$ , therefore

$$\|\varphi(t_m') - x_0\| < 1/m$$
 (5)

or  $\lim_{m\to\infty} \varphi(t'_m) = x_0$ . From  $t_{r_m} \geqslant 0$  and  $\overline{t}_{k_m} \to +\infty$  we know  $t'_m \to +\infty$ . Hence  $x_0 \in \Omega_{\varphi}$ , so  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}} \subset \Omega_{\varphi}$ .

Corollary 2.1. Assume that the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is  $USR \Omega_{\varphi}$  and there is a sequence  $\{t_k\}$  with  $t_k \ge 0$  such that  $\varphi(t+t_k) \xrightarrow{loc} \overline{\varphi}(t)$ ,  $f(x, t+t_k) \xrightarrow{loc} loc \overline{f}(x, t)$ . Then the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (2) is  $USR \Omega_{\overline{\varphi}}$  and the estimates  $\delta(s)$  in Definition 2.1 are inherited by system (2).

*Proof* From Lemma 2.3, we know  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}} \subset \Omega_{\varphi}$ . From Lemma 2.1, the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is USR  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}}$ . From Lemma 2.2, we get the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (2) is USR  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}}$  and  $\delta(\varepsilon)$  are inherited.

**Theorem 2.1.** If system (1) is a periodic system and the solution  $x = \varphi(t, x_0)$  of (1) is  $USR \Omega_{\varphi}$ , then  $x = \varphi(t, x_0)$  is an asymptotic almost periodic function.

*Proof* Assume that  $f(x, t+\omega) = f(x, t)$ , whree  $\omega > 0$ . For any sequence  $\{t_k\}$  with  $t_k \to +\infty$  we can suppose that  $t_k = m_k \omega + \tau_k$ , where  $m_k$  is natural number and  $0 \le \tau_k < \omega$ . Then

$$\varphi(t+t_k, x_0) = \varphi(t+\tau_k+m_k\omega, x_0) = \varphi(t+\tau_k, \varphi(m_k\omega, x_0)).$$

Because  $\{\tau_k\}$ ,  $\{\varphi(m_k\omega, x_0)\}$  are bounded sequences, we can suppose  $\tau_k \to \tau_0$ ,  $\varphi(m_k\omega, x_0) \to y_0$  (or else, we take their subsequences). From

$$f(x, t+t_k) = f(x, t+m_k\omega + \tau_k) = f(x, t+\tau_k) \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} f(x, t+\tau_0),$$

we obtain

$$\varphi(t+t_k, x_0) \xrightarrow{loc} \varphi(t+\tau_0, y_0).$$

From Corollary 2.1, the solution  $x = \varphi(t + m_k \omega, x_0)$  of (1) is USR  $\Omega_{\varphi}$  and the estimates  $\delta(s)$  in Definition 2.1 are inherited. From  $\varphi(m_k \omega, x_0) \rightarrow y_0$ , we know that there is a  $K_1$  such that

$$\|\varphi(m_k\omega, x_0) - y_0\| < \delta(\varepsilon)$$
 when  $k \geqslant K_1$ .

Hence for  $k \gg K_1$ ,

$$\|\varphi(t, x_0) - x(t, y_0, m_k \omega)\| < \varepsilon \quad (t \geqslant m_k \omega),$$

that is

$$\|\varphi(t+m_k\omega, x_0)-x(t+m_k\omega, y_0, m_k\omega)\|<\varepsilon \quad (t\geqslant 0).$$

Because  $x(t+m_k\omega, y_0, m_k\omega) = \varphi(t, y_0)$ , we get

$$\|\varphi(t+m_k\omega, x_0)-\varphi(t, y_0)\|<\varepsilon$$
  $(t\geqslant 0).$ 

So, for  $k \ge K_1$ , we have

$$\|\varphi(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega, x_0)-\varphi(t+\tau_0, y_0)\|<\varepsilon \quad (t\geq 0).$$
 (6)

Assume that  $H = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|\varphi(t, x_0)\|$  and  $M = \sup_{\|x\| \le H} \|f(x, t)\|$ . From  $\tau_k \to \tau_0$ , we know that there is a  $K_2$  such that  $|\tau_k - \tau_0| < \varepsilon/M$  when  $k \ge K_2$ , Hence, for  $k \ge K_2$ ,

$$\|\varphi(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega, x_0)-\varphi(t+t_k, x_0)\| \leq \sup_{t\in R} \|f[\varphi(t, x_0), t]\| \cdot |\tau_k-\tau_0| \leq \varepsilon \quad (t\geq 0).$$
(7)

Take  $K = \max(K_1, K_2)$ . Combining (6), (7) we obtain, for  $k \ge K$ ,

$$\|\varphi(t+t_k, x_0) - \varphi(t+x_0, y_0)\| < 2\varepsilon \quad (t \ge 0),$$

That is, the sequence  $\{\varphi(t+t_k, x_0)\}$  converges to  $\varphi(t+\tau_0, y_0)$  uniformly in  $R^+$ . So  $\varphi(t, x_0)$  is an asymptotic almost periodic function.

**Theorem 2.2.** Under the condition of Theorem 2.1, there exists an almost periodic solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (1) and it is USR  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}}$  and  $\overline{\varphi} \in \Omega(\varphi)$ .

Proof From Theorem 2.1, system (1) has an asymptotic almost periodic solution  $x=\varphi(t)$ . We take sequence  $\{m\omega\}$  with  $m\to +\infty$ , where m is a natural number. From the definition of asymptotic almost periodic there is a subsequence  $\{m_k\omega\}$  of  $\{m\omega\}$  such that  $\varphi(t+m_k\omega)\to \overline{\varphi}(t)$ . Therefore  $\overline{\varphi}\in\Omega(\varphi)$  and  $\overline{\varphi}(t)$  is an almost periodic function. But  $f(x, t+m_k\omega)=f(x, t)$ , so  $x=\varphi(t)$  is the solution of system (1). From Corollary 2.1, we see that the solution  $x=\varphi(t)$  of (1) is USR  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}}$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 2.2.

**Lemma 2.4.** Assume that  $x = \varphi(t)$  is an almost periodic solution of autonomous system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x). ag{8}$$

Then  $x = \varphi(t)$  is USR  $H_{\varphi}$ .

Proof Refer to [5, Chapter 5, Corollary 2 of Theorem 36].

Theorem 2.3. The following statements are equivalent:

- (i) System (6) has an almost periodic solution,
- (ii) There is a solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (6) with USR  $H_{\varphi}$ .
- (iii) There is a solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (6) with USR  $\Omega_{\varphi}$ .

Proof (i)⇒(ii) from Lemma 2.4.

- (ii)⇒(iii) from Lemma 2.1.
- (iii)⇒(i) from Theorem 2.2.

## § 3. Periodic Solutions of Periodic Systems

**Definition 3.1.** The solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is weakly uniformly asymptotically stable with respect to  $E(\text{or }WUASR\ E)$  if the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is  $USR\ E$  and there is a  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that for any  $x_0 \in E \cap N(\varphi(t_0), \delta_0)$ ,

$$\lim_{t \to +\infty} \|\varphi(t) - x(t, x_0, t_0)\| = 0,$$

where  $x(t, x_0, t_0)$  is a solution of (1).

**Lemma 3.1.** If the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is WUASR  $E_1$  and  $E_2 \subset E_1$ , then it is WUASR  $E_2$ .

*Proof* From Lemma 2.1 and Definition 3.1, we can easily get the proof of Lemma 3.1.

Lemma 3.2. Assume that system (1) is a periodic system and the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is WUASR E. Then the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (2) is WUASR E and the estimates  $\delta(s)$ ,  $\delta_0$  in Definition 2.1 and Definition 3.1 are inherited if (i)  $H_{\varphi} \subset E$  and  $(\overline{\varphi}, \overline{f}) \in H(\varphi, f)$  or  $(i')\Omega_{\varphi} \subset E$  and  $(\overline{\varphi}, \overline{f}) \in \Omega(\varphi, f)$ .

**Proof** We prove the conclusion of (i) only. The conclusion of (i') is the same as that of (i).

From Lemma 2.1 the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (2) is USR E and  $\delta(\varepsilon)$  in Definition 2.1 is inherited. We assume that  $\varphi(t+t_k) \to \overline{\varphi}(t)$ ,  $f(x, t+t_k) \to \overline{f}(x, t)$ , because  $(\overline{\varphi}, \overline{f}) \in H(\varphi, f)$ . For any  $x_0 \in E \cap N(\overline{\varphi}(t_0), \delta_0)$ , where  $\delta_0$  is the same as in Definition 3.1, suppose that

$$||x_0 - \overline{\varphi}(t_0)|| = \eta < \delta_0.$$
 (9)

Since  $\varphi(t_0+t_k)\rightarrow \overline{\varphi}(t_0)$ , there is a  $K_1$  such that

$$\|\varphi(t_0+t_k)-\overline{\varphi}(t_0)\|<\frac{1}{2}(\delta_0-\eta) \quad (k\geqslant K_1).$$
 (10)

Suppose that  $t_k = m_k \omega + \tau_k$  where  $\omega$  is the period of f(x, t),  $m_k$  is an integer and  $0 \le \tau_k < \omega$ . We assume that  $\tau_k \to \tau_0$  (or else we take its subsequence). Then

$$f(x, t+t_k) = f(x, t+\tau_k) \xrightarrow{loc} \overline{f}(x, t) = f(x, t+\tau_0).$$

Because  $\varphi(t)$  is a bounded function, we can suppose that  $\|\varphi(t)\| \leq H$  and  $M = \sup_{\|x\| \leq H} \|f(x, t)\|$ . Hence

$$\|\varphi(t+t_k)-\varphi(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega)\| \leqslant M|\tau_k-\tau_0| \to 0, \tag{11}$$

that is, there exists a  $K_2$  such that

$$\|\varphi(t+t_k)-\varphi(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega)\| \leqslant \frac{1}{2}(\delta_0-\eta) \quad (k \geqslant K_2). \tag{12}$$

Take  $K_0 = \max(K_1, K_2)$ . From (9), (10), (12) we get

$$x_0 \in E \cap N(\varphi(t_0 + \tau_0 + m_k \omega), \delta_0) \quad (\kappa \geqslant K_0).$$

Hence, from the conditions of the lemma, we have

$$\lim_{t\to \infty} \|\varphi(t) - x(t, x_0, t_0 + \tau_0 + m_k \omega)\| = 0 \quad (k \geqslant K_0),$$

or, for  $k \geqslant K_0$ 

$$\lim_{t\to +\infty} \|\varphi(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega)-x(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega, x_0, t_0+\tau_0+m_k\omega)\|=0.$$

Because

$$x(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega, x_0, t_0+\tau_0+m_k\omega)=x(t+\tau_0, x_0, t_0+\tau_0),$$

we obtain

$$\lim_{t\to\infty} \|\varphi(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega)-x(t+\tau_0, x_0, t_0+\tau_0)\|=0 \quad (k\geqslant K_0). \tag{13}$$

Since the solution  $x=\varphi(t)$  of (1) is USR E, for any s'>0 there is a  $\delta(s')>0$  such that if

$$\overline{\varphi}(t_0) \in E \cap N(\varphi(t_0 + \tau_0 + m_k \omega), \ \delta(s')),$$

we have

$$\|\varphi(t) - x(t, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0 + \tau_0 + m_k \omega)\| < s' \quad (t \ge t_0 + \tau_0 + m_k \omega).$$
 (14)

From (11) and  $\varphi(t_0+t_k)\to \overline{\varphi}(t_0)$  we get  $\varphi(t_0+\tau_0+m_k\omega)\to \overline{\varphi}(t_0)$ , that is, there is a  $K^0$  such that

$$\|\varphi(t_0+\tau_0+m_k\omega)-\overline{\varphi}(t_0)\|<\delta(s')\quad (k\geqslant K^0).$$

But  $\overline{\varphi}(t_0) \in H_{\varphi} \subset E$ , so we get

$$\overline{\varphi}(t_0) \in E \cap N(\varphi(t_0 + \tau_0 + m_k \omega), \ \delta(\varepsilon')) \quad (k \geqslant K^0).$$

Then, when  $k \ge K^0$ , (14) is true, that is,

$$\|\varphi(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega)-x(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0+\tau_0+m_k\omega)\|<\varepsilon' \quad (t\geq t_0).$$

 $\mathbf{Since}$ 

$$x(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0+\tau_0+m_k\omega)=x(t+\tau_0, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0+\tau_0),$$

we obtain

$$\|\varphi(t+\tau_0+m_k\omega)-x(t+\tau_0, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0+\tau_0)\|<\varepsilon'^{0} \quad (t\geq t_0).$$
 (15)

Take  $K = \max(K_0, K^0)$ . Combining (13), (15) we get

$$\lim_{t\to+\infty} \|x(t+\tau_0, x_0, t_0+\tau_0) - x(t+\tau_0, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0+\tau_0)\| \leq \varepsilon'.$$

But e' is any small positive number, so

$$\lim_{t \to +\infty} \|x(t+\tau_0, x_0, t_0+\tau_0) - x(t+\tau_0, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0+\tau_0)\| = 0.$$
 (16)

Suppose that  $y(t, x_0, t_0)$  is the solution of (2) with  $y(t_0, x_0, t_0) = x_0$ . Then

$$y(t, x_0, t_0) = x(t+\tau_0, x_0, t_0+\tau_0),$$

$$\overline{\varphi}(t) = y(t, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0) = x(t + \tau_0, \overline{\varphi}(t_0), t_0 + \tau_0) \text{ since } \overline{f}(x, t) = f(x, t + \tau_0).$$

From (16) we obtain

$$\lim_{t\to+\infty}\|y(t, x_0, t_0)-\overline{\varphi}(t)\|=0.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 3.2.

Theorem 3.1. Assume that system (1) is a periodic system and the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is WUASR  $\Omega_{\varphi}$ . Then system (1) has a periodic solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  with  $\overline{\varphi} \in \Omega_{\varphi}$  and the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (1) is WUASR  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}}$ .

Proof From Theorem 2.1, the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is an asymdtotic almost periodic function. We take sequence  $\{m\omega\}$ , where m is a natural number and  $\omega$  is the period of f(x, t). Then there is a subsequence  $\{m_k\omega\}$  of  $\{m\omega\}$  such that  $\varphi(t+m_k\omega) \to \overline{\varphi}(t)$  and  $\overline{\varphi}(t)$  is an almost periodic function, so  $\overline{\varphi} \in \Omega_{\varphi}$ . But  $f(x, t+m_k\omega) = f(x, t)$ , so  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  is the solution of (1). From Lemma 3.2 the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (1) is WUASR  $\Omega_{\varphi}$  and  $\delta(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\delta_0$  are inherited. From Lemma 3.1, the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (1) is WUSAR  $\Omega_{\overline{\varphi}}$ .

Now we prove that  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  is a periodic function.

For any  $x_0 \in \Omega_{\overline{\phi}}$ , there exists a sequence  $\{\overline{t}_k\}$  with  $\overline{t}_k \to +\infty$  such that  $\overline{\phi}(\overline{t}_k) \to r_0$ .

$$\overline{\varphi}(t+\overline{t}_k) \xrightarrow{\text{unif.}} y(t, x_0, 0),$$

$$f(x, t+\overline{t}_k) \xrightarrow{\text{unif.}} \overline{f}(x, t).$$

(or else we take their subsequence). Assume that  $\overline{t}_k = r_k \omega + \tau_k$ , where  $r_k$  is natural number,  $0 \le \tau_k < \omega$ . We can even suppose that  $\tau_k \to \tau_0$ ,  $r_k < r_{k+1}$ , then  $\overline{\varphi}(r_k \omega + \tau_0) \to x_0$ . So there exists a K such that

$$\|\overline{\varphi}(r_k\omega+\tau_0)-x_0\|<\delta_0\quad (k\geqslant K),$$

that is

$$x_0 \in \Omega_{\overline{\varphi}} \cap N(\overline{\varphi}(r_k\omega + \tau_0), \delta_0) \quad (k \geqslant K).$$

Hence

$$\lim_{t\to+\infty}\|x(t, x_0, \tau_0+r_k\omega)-\overline{\varphi}(t)\|=0 \quad (k\geqslant K),$$

that is

$$\lim_{t\to +\infty} \|x(t+\tau_0+r_k\omega, x_0, \tau_0+r_k\omega) - \overline{\varphi}(t+\tau_0+r_k\omega)\| = 0 \quad (k \gg K).$$

Since

$$x(t+\tau_0+\tau_k\omega, x_0, \tau_0+\tau_k\omega)=x(t+\tau_0, x_0, \tau_0)=y(t, x_0, 0),$$

we obtain

$$\lim_{t\to +\infty} \|y(t, x_0, 0) - \overline{\varphi}(t + \tau_0 + \tau_k \omega)\| = 0 \quad (k \geqslant K). \tag{17}$$

we especially have

$$\lim_{t \to +\infty} \|y(t, x_0, 0) - \overline{\varphi}(t + \tau_0 + r_{K+1}\omega)\| = 0,$$

$$\lim_{t \to +\infty} \|y(t, x_0, 0) - \overline{\varphi}(t + \tau_0 + r_{K+2}\omega)\| = 0.$$

So

$$\lim_{t\to +\infty} \| \overline{\varphi}(t+\tau_0+r_{K+1}\omega) - \overline{\varphi}(t+\tau_0+r_{K+2}) \| = 0.$$

But  $\overline{\varphi}(t+\tau_0+r_{K+1}\omega)$ ,  $\overline{\varphi}(t+\tau_0+r_{K+2}\omega)$  are almost periodic functions, and then  $\overline{\varphi}(t+\tau_0+r_{K+1}\omega)\equiv\overline{\varphi}(t+\tau_0+r_{K+2}\omega)$ , that is,  $\overline{\varphi}(t)\equiv\overline{\varphi}(t+(r_{K+2}-r_{K+1})\omega)$ . Take  $\omega_0=(r_{K+2}-r_{K+1})\omega$ . Hence  $\overline{\varphi}(t+\omega_0)\equiv\overline{\varphi}(t)$ , that is,  $\overline{\varphi}(t)$  is a periodic function. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

# § 4. Almost Periodic Solutions of Almost Periodic Systems

**Definition 4.1.** The solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is a uniformly asymptotically stable withrespect to E (or UASR E) if it is USR E and there exists  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that for any  $\varepsilon' > 0$  there is a  $T(\varepsilon') > 0$ , such that when  $x_0 \in E \cap N(\varphi(t_0), \delta_0)$  we have

$$\|\varphi(t) - x(t, x_0, t_0)\| < \varepsilon' \quad (t \ge t_0 + T(\varepsilon')).$$

**Lemma 4.1.** Assume that the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is  $UASR \ E_1$  and  $E_2 \subset E_1$ .

Then it is  $UASR \ E_2$  and  $\delta(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\delta_0$  and  $T(\varepsilon')$  are all inherited.

Proof From Lemma 2.1 and Definition 4.1, we come to the conclusion of

Lemma 4.1.

A notation:

 $A_{\varphi}^{f} = \{x \mid \text{there exist } \overline{t} \in R, \ x_{0} \in \Omega_{\varphi} \text{ and } g \in H(f) \text{ with } x = x_{g}(\overline{t}, x_{0}, 0)\}, \text{ where } x_{g}(t, x_{0}, 0) \text{ is the solution of system}$ 

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = g(x, t) \quad g \in H(f) \tag{18}$$

with

$$x_g(0, x_0, 0) = x_0,$$

It is ease to prove that if  $x = \varphi(t)$  is the solution of autonomous system (6) then  $A'_{\varphi} = \Omega_{\varphi}$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** If there exists sequence  $\{t_k\}$  with  $t_k \ge 0$  such that  $\varphi(t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} \overline{\varphi}(t)$ ,  $f(x, t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} \overline{f}(x, t)$ , then  $A_{\overline{\varphi}}^{\overline{f}} \subset A_{\varphi}^{\overline{f}}$ .

Proof Refer to Lemma 2.3 and its proof.

**Lemma 4.3.** Assume that the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is UASR E and  $(\overline{\varphi}, \overline{f}) \in H(\varphi, f)$ . Then the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (2) is UASR E and  $\delta(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\delta_0$ ,  $T(\varepsilon')$  are inherited.

(iii) Proof Refer to the proof of [6, Theorem 6].

**Theorem 4.1.** If system (1) is a uniformly almost periodic system and the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is UASR  $A_{\varphi}^{f}$ , then  $x = \varphi(t)$  is an asymptotic almost periodic function.

*Proof* For any sequence  $\{t_k\}$  with  $t_k \to +\infty$ , it is sufficient to prove that there exists a subsequence  $\{t_k'\}$  of  $\{t_k\}$  such that  $\{\varphi(t+t_k')\}$  converges uniformly on R.

Because  $\{\varphi(t+t_k)\}$  is a bounded sequence and f(x,t) is uniformly almost periodic function, we can suppose that  $\varphi(t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} \overline{\varphi}(t)$ ,  $f(x,t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} \overline{f}(x,t)$ , (or else we can take their subsequences). Assume that  $x(t,x_0,t_0)$  is a solution of (1) with  $x(t_0,x_0,t_0)=x_0$  and  $x_k(t,x_0,t_0)$  is a solution of

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, t+t_k) \tag{19}$$

with  $x_k(t_0, x_0, t_0) = x_0$ , Because the solution  $x = \varphi(t)$  of (1) is  $UASR A_{\varphi}^t$ , so for any s > 0 we can take  $\delta' = \min(\delta(\varepsilon), \delta_0, \varepsilon)$  such that when  $x_0 \in A_{\varphi}^t \cap N(\varphi(t_0), \delta')$ , we have

$$\|\varphi(t) - x(t, x_0, t_0)\| < \begin{cases} s & (t \ge t_0), \\ \delta'/2 & (t \ge t_0 + T(\delta'/2)). \end{cases}$$
 (20)

Since  $\varphi(t_k) \to \overline{\varphi}(0)$ , there exists a  $K_1$  such that  $\|\varphi(t_k) - \overline{\varphi}(0)\| < \delta'(k \gg K_1)$ . So from (20) we see that when  $k \gg K_1$ 

$$\|\varphi(t)-x(t,\overline{\varphi}(0),t_k)\|<\varepsilon \quad (t\geqslant t_k),$$

that is, when  $k \geqslant K_1$  and the second of the second second of the second seco

$$\|\varphi(t+t_k)-x(t+t_k, \overline{\varphi}(0), t_k)\| < \varepsilon \quad (t \ge 0).$$
 (21)

But  $x(t+t_k, \overline{\varphi}(0), t_k) = x_k(t, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0)$ , then when  $k \ge K_1$ ,

$$\|\varphi(t+t_k)-x_k(t,\overline{\varphi}(0),0)\| < \varepsilon \quad (t \geqslant 0). \tag{22}$$

Suppose that  $y(t, x_0, t_0)$  is the solution of (2) with  $y = (t_0, x_0, t_0) = x_0$ .

(i) We prove that the sequence  $\{x_k(t, x_0, t_0)\}$  converges uniformly to  $y(t, x_0, t_0)$  on  $t_0 \in R$ ,  $||x_0|| \le H$  and  $t \in [t_0, t_0 + T(\delta'/2)]$ .

Proof If not, there are  $t_0^m \in R$ ,  $||x_0^m|| \leq H$ ,  $t^m \in [t_0^m, t_0^m + T(\delta'/2)]$  and  $\eta_0 > 0$  such that

$$\|x_m(t^m, x_0^m, t_0^m) - y(t^m, x_0^m, t_0^m)\| \ge \eta_0.$$
 (23)

Take  $\tau^m = t^m - t_0^m \in [0, T(\delta'/2)]$ , so from (23) we get

$$||x_m(t_0^m + \tau^m, x_0^m, t_0^m) - y(t_0^m + \tau^m, x_0^m, t_0^m)|| \ge \eta_0.$$
 (24)

We can suppose that  $\tau^m \to \overline{\tau}$ ,  $x_0^m \to \overline{x_0}$  and  $\overline{f}(x, t+t_0^m) \xrightarrow{\text{unif}} \overline{f}(x, t)$ , (or else we can take their subsequences). From  $f(x, t+t_m) \xrightarrow{\text{unif}} \overline{f}(x, t)$  and  $\overline{f}(x, t+t_0^m) \xrightarrow{\text{unif}} \overline{\overline{f}}(x, t)$ , we get

$$f(x, t+t_m+t_0^m) \xrightarrow{\text{unif.}} \overline{f}(x, t)$$
 (25)

Because  $x_m(t+t_0^m, x_0^m, t_0^m)$  is the solution of

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, t + t_m + t_0^m),$$

 $y(t+t_0^m, x_0^m, t_0^m)$  is the solution of

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \overline{f}(x, t+t_0^m),$$

and from (25), we know that the sequences  $\{x_m(t+t_0^m, x_0^m, t_0^m)\}$ ,  $\{y(t+t_0^m, x_0^m, t_0^m)\}$  converge uniformly to  $\overline{x}(t, \overline{x_0}, 0)$  on  $t \in [0, T(\delta'/2)]$ , where  $\overline{x}(t, \overline{x_0}, 0)$  is the solution of

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \overline{f}(x, t).$$

that is, there is a  $K_2$  such that when  $m \geqslant K_2$ ,

$$||x_m(t+t_0^m, x_0^m, t_0^m) - y(t+t_0^m, x_0^m, t_0^m)|| < \eta_0/2 \quad (0 \le t \le T(\delta'/2)).$$

In particular we take  $t=\tau^m$ . Then when  $m \gg K_2$ ,

$$||x_m(t_0^m + \tau^m, x_0^m, t_0^m) - y(t_0^m + \tau^m, x_0^m, t_0^m)|| < \eta_0/2.$$

This contradicts (24), so (i) is true.

From (i) we see that there is a  $K_3$ , such that when  $k \geqslant K_3$ ,

$$||x_k(t, x_0, t_0) - y(t, x_0, t_0)|| < \delta'/2 \quad (t_0 \in R, ||x_0|| \leqslant H, t \in [t_0, t_0 + T(\delta'/2)]). \quad (26)$$

(ii) We prove that for any m,

$$||x_k(m \cdot T(\delta'/2), \overline{\varphi}(0), 0) - \overline{\varphi}(m \cdot T(\delta'/2))|| < \delta' \quad (k \ge K_3). \tag{27}$$

**Proof** We prove (27) with mathematical induction. Obviously if m=0, (27) tis true. Suppose (27) is true for m=i. For m=i+1, we write  $T=T(\delta'/2)$ . Then

$$\|x_k((i+1)T,\overline{\varphi}(0),0)-\overline{\varphi}((i+1)T)\|$$

$$= \|x_{k}((i+1)T, x_{k}(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), iT) - \overline{\varphi}((i+1)T)\|$$

$$\leq \|x_{k}((i+1)T, x_{k}(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), iT) - y((i+1)T, x_{k}(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), iT)\|$$

$$+ \|y((i+1)T, x_{k}(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), iT) - \overline{\varphi}((i+1)T)\|.$$

$$(28)$$

From (26), we obtain

$$||x_{k}((i+1)T, x_{k}(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), iT) - y((i+1)T, x_{k}(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), iT)|| < \delta'/2$$

$$(k \ge K_{3}).$$
(29)

From Lemma 4.3, we know that the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (2) is UASR  $A_{\varphi}^{t}$  and  $\delta(s)$ ,  $\delta_{0}$ ,  $T(\delta'/2)$  are inherited.

From the supposition of induction,

$$||x_k(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0) - \overline{\varphi}(iT)|| < \delta'$$

and  $x_k(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0) \in A_{\varphi}^f$ , we get  $x_k(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0) \in A_{\varphi}^f \cap N(\overline{\varphi}(iT), \delta')$ . Hence

$$\|y(t, x_k(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), iT) - \overline{\varphi}(t)\| < \begin{cases} s, & t \geqslant iT \\ \delta'/2, & t \geqslant (i+1)T. \end{cases}$$

In particular we take t = (i+1)T. Then

$$||y((i+1)T, x_k(iT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), iT) - \overline{\varphi}((i+1)T)|| < \delta'/2.$$
 (30)

From (28), (29) and (30), we get

$$||x_k((i+1)T, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0) - \overline{\varphi}((i+1)T)|| < \delta'.$$

Therefore (27) is true for m=i+1, that is (ii) is true.

From (ii),

$$x_k(mT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0) \in A_{\varphi}' \cap N(\overline{\varphi}(mT), \delta') \quad (k \geqslant K_3).$$

Because the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (2) is UASR  $A_{\varphi}^{t}$  and  $\delta(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\delta_{0}$ ,  $T(\delta'/2)$  are inherited we have for  $k \ge K_{3}$ ,

$$||y(t, x_k(mT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), mT) - \overline{\varphi}(t)|| < \epsilon \quad (t \ge mT).$$
 (31)

For any  $t \in [0, +\infty)$ , we suppose  $t \in [mT, (m+1)T)$ . From (26), (31) we get, for  $k \geqslant K_3$ ,

$$||x_{k}(t, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0) - \overline{\varphi}(t)|| = ||x_{k}(t, x_{k}(mT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), mT) - \overline{\varphi}(t)||$$

$$\leq ||x_{k}(t, x_{k}(mT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), mT) - y(t, x_{k}(mT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), mT)||$$

$$+ ||y(t, x_{k}(mT, \overline{\varphi}(0), 0), mT) - \overline{\varphi}(t)|| < \delta' + s \leq 2s.$$
 (32)

Take  $K = \max(K_1, K_3)$ . Then from (22), (32), we have

$$\|\varphi(t+t_k)-\overline{\varphi}(t)\|<3\varepsilon \quad (t\geqslant 0)$$

when  $k \ge K$ , that is, sequence  $\{\varphi(t+t_k)\}$  converges uniformly to  $\overline{\varphi}(t)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ . This completes the proo of Theorem 4.1.

**Lemma 4.4.** If f(x, t) is a uniformly almost periodic function, then  $f \in \Omega(f)$ .

Proof From the definition of almost periodic function we can easily come to the conclusion.

Theorem 4.2. Under the supposition of Theorem 4.1, there is an almost periodic solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (1) with  $\overline{\varphi} \in \Omega(\varphi)$  and it is UASR  $A_{\overline{\varphi}}^t$ .

**Proof** From Theorem 4.1,  $x=\varphi(t)$  is an asymptotic almost periodic function.

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From Lemma 4.4, there exists a sequence  $\{t_k\}$  with  $t_k \to +\infty$  such that

$$f(x, t+t_k) \xrightarrow{\mathrm{unif}} f(x, t).$$

But sequence  $\{\varphi(t+t_k)\}$  is a uniformly bounded and equi-continuous sequence, so there exists a subsequence  $\{\varphi(t+t_k)\}$  of  $\{\varphi(t+t_k)\}$  such that

$$\varphi(t+t_{k_m}) \xrightarrow{\mathrm{loc}} \varphi(t),$$

that is,  $\overline{\varphi} \in \Omega(\varphi)$ . Since  $\varphi(t)$  is an asymptotic almost periodic function,  $\overline{\varphi}(t)$  is an almost periodic function. It is obviously that  $\overline{\varphi}(t)$  is the solution of (1). From Lemma 4.3, the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (1) is USAR  $A_{\varphi}^t$ . From Lemma 4.2,  $A_{\overline{\varphi}}^t \subset A_{\varphi}^t$ . From Lemma 4.1, we conclude that the solution  $x = \overline{\varphi}(t)$  of (1) is UASR  $A_{\overline{\varphi}}^t$ . This is the proof of Theorem 4.2.

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