

## Stability analysis of difference systems via cone valued Liapunov's function method

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### Abstract

Total stability for systems of ordinary differential equations, functional differential equations, and difference equations was introduced. In this paper, we will extend this notion to the so-called total  $\phi_0$ -stability for systems of difference equations. given some new criteria and results. Our technique depends on cone-valued Liapunov's function method.

### 1. Introduction

Recently, difference equations problems has been considerable interest in studying and improving (see [2], [3], [7]–[11]). Furthermore it has been successfully in different approaches based on Liapunov's direct method, and was study with cone and cone-valued Liapunov function method (see [8]).

Our purpose in this paper is to extend total stability of [11] to new type of stability, namely total  $\phi_0$ -stability of difference equations systems which lie somewhere between totally stability of [11] on one side and  $\phi_0$ -stability of [8] on the other side via cone-valued Liapunov function method that was studied in [5] and used in [1], [8].

Let  $\mathfrak{R}^m$  be the  $m$ -dimensional Euclidean real space,  $J = [t_0, \infty)$ , and  $\mathfrak{R}^+ = [0, \infty)$ . The following definitions will be needed.

**Definition 1.1** ([4]). A function  $b(r)$  is said to be belong to the class  $\mathcal{K}$  if  $b(r) \in C[(0, \rho), \mathfrak{R}^+]$ ,  $b(0) = 0$  and  $b(r)$  is strictly monotone increasing in  $r$ .

**Definition 1.2** ([4]). A function  $a(t)$  is said to be belong to the class  $\mathcal{L}$  if  $a(t) \in C[J, \mathfrak{R}^+]$ ,  $a(t) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  and  $a(t)$  is strictly monotone decreasing in  $t$ .

**Definition 1.3** ([1]). A proper subset  $K \subset \mathfrak{R}^m$  is called a cone if

- (i)  $\lambda K \subset K, \lambda \geq 0$ ,
- (ii)  $K + K \subset K$ ,
- (iii)  $\overline{K} = K$ ,
- (iv)  $K^\circ \neq \emptyset$ ,
- (v)  $K \cap (-K) = \{0\}$ ,

where  $\overline{K}$  and  $K^\circ$  denote the closure and interior of  $K$  respectively, and  $\partial K$  denotes the boundary of  $K$ ,  $x \in \partial K \iff y-x = 0$  for some  $y \in K_0^*$ ,  $K_0 = K-0$ .

The order relation on  $\mathfrak{R}^m$  induced by the cone  $K$  is defined as follows  
Let  $x, y \in K$ , then

$$x \leq_K y \iff y - x \in K, \text{ and } x \leq_{K^\circ} y \iff y - x \in K^\circ.$$

The set  $K^*$  is called the adjoint cone if

$$K^* = \{\phi \in \mathfrak{R}^m : (\phi, x) \geq 0\}, \text{ for } x \in K,$$

satisfies the properties (i) – (v) of Definition 1.3.

**Definition 1.4** ([1]). A function  $g : D \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^m$ ,  $D \subset \mathfrak{R}^n$  is called quasi-monotone relative to the cone  $K$ , if  $x, y \in D$  and  $y - x \in \partial K$ , then there exists  $\phi_\circ \in K_\circ^*$  such that  $(\phi_\circ, y - x) = 0$  and  $(\phi_\circ, g(y) - g(x)) \geq 0$ .

Consider system of difference equations

$$(1.1) \quad x(n+1) = f(n, x(n)), \quad x(n_0) = \psi$$

and the perturbed system

$$(1.2) \quad x(n+1) = f(n, x(n)) + h(n, x(n)), \quad x(n_0) = \psi$$

where  $f, h : Z^+ \times C \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^m$  are continuous in  $x_n, y_n$ ,  $Z^+$  is the set of nonnegative integers  $x, y \in \mathfrak{R}^m$ ,  $f(n, 0) = h(n, 0) = 0$  for  $n \in Z^+$ , so that the equations (1.1), (1.2) always have the zero solution  $x(n) = 0, y(n) = 0$ . Let

$$\|\psi\| = \max |\psi(s)| : s \in \{-r, -r+1, \dots, 0\}$$

and  $C = \{\psi : \{-r, -r+1, \dots, 0\} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^m\}$  for positive integer  $r > 0$ ,  $x_n(s) = x(n+s), y_n(s) = y(n+s)$  for  $s = -r, -r+1, \dots, 0$ . Furthermore for any given  $n_0 \in Z^+$  and given initial function  $\psi \in C$ , there is a unique solutions of  $x(n_0, \psi)(n), y(n_0, \psi)(n)$  such that it satisfies (1.1), (1.2) and

$$x(n_0, \psi)(n_0 + s) = \psi(s), \quad y(n_0, \psi)(n_0 + s) = \psi(s), \text{ for } s = -r, -r+1, \dots, 0.$$

respectively for all integer  $n \geq n_0$ .

**Definition 1.5** ([8]). The zero solution of (1.1) is said to be  $\phi_0$ -equistable if for  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $n_0 \in Z^+$ , there exist positive functions  $\delta(n_0, \epsilon) > 0$  that is continuous in  $n_0$ , such that for  $\phi_0 \in K_0^*$

$$(\phi_0, x^*(n_0, \psi)) < \epsilon, \text{ for } n \geq n_0.$$

provided that  $(\phi_0, \psi) < \delta$ , where  $x^*, y^*$  here and in this paper denote the maximal solutions of (1.1) and (1.2) relative to the cone  $K \subset \mathfrak{R}^m$  respectively. Other  $\phi_0$ -stability can be similarly dedined.

The following definitions are somewhat new and related with that of [11].

**Definition 1.6.** The zero solution of (1.1) is said to be totally uniformly  $\phi_0$ -stable if for  $\epsilon > 0, n_0 \in Z^+$ , there exist positive functions  $\delta_1(n_0, \epsilon) > 0$  and  $\delta_2(n_0, \epsilon) > 0$  that is continuous in  $n_0$ , such that for  $\phi_0 \in K_0^*$

$$(\phi_0, x^*(n_0, \psi)) < \epsilon, \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

provided that  $(\phi_0, \psi) < \delta_1$  and  $(\psi, h(n, x(n))) < \delta_2$ .

**Definition 1.7.** The zero solution of (1.1) is said to be totally  $\phi_0$ -stable under permanent perturbations bounded in the mean if for  $\epsilon > 0, n_0 \in Z^+$ , there exist two positive functions  $\delta_1(n_0, \epsilon) > 0$  and  $\delta_2(n_0, \epsilon) > 0$  that is continuous in  $n_0$ , such that for  $\phi_0 \in K_0^*$

$$(\phi_0, x^*(n_0, \psi)) < \epsilon, \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

provided that  $(\phi_0, \psi) < \delta_1, (\psi, h(n, x(n))) < \delta_2$ .

In the case of uniformly totally  $\phi_0$ - stability  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$  are independent of  $t_0$ .

**Definition 1.8.** The zero solution of (1.2) is said to be totally uniformly  $\phi_0$ -stable under permanent perturbations bounded in the mean if for  $\epsilon > 0, n_0 \in Z^+$ , there exist two positive functions  $\delta_1(n_0, \epsilon) > 0$  and  $\delta_2(n_0, \epsilon) > 0$  that is continuous in  $n_0$  such that for the maximal solution  $y^*(n_0, \psi)$  of (1.2), and  $\phi_0 \in K_0^*$

$$(\phi_0, y^*(n_0, \psi)) < \epsilon, \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

provided that  $(\phi_0, \psi) < \delta_1, (\psi, h(n, y(n))) < \delta_2, n \geq n_0$ , where

$$|h(n, y(n))| = \sup |h(n, \varphi)| : n \in Z^+, \|\varphi\| < \epsilon.$$

**Definition 1.9.** The zero solution of (1.2) is said to be totally uniformly asymptotically  $\phi_0$ -stable if it is uniformly asymptotically  $\phi_0$ -stable provided that for

$$|h(n, \varphi)| \leq \sigma(n), \quad \text{uniformly for } \|\varphi\| < \rho.$$

where  $\sigma(n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $\rho$  is some constant.

## 2. Main results

In this section, we will discuss and obtain some results of total  $\phi_0$ -stability of the system (1.1)

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let the zero solution of (1.1) be uniformly asymptotically  $\phi_0$ - stable. Assume further that*

$$\|f(n, x) - f(n, y)\| \leq L(n) \|x - y\|,$$

for  $(n, x), (n, y) \in Z^+ \times K, 0 \leq L(n) \leq \alpha T, \alpha$  is a positive constant.

*Then there exists a cone-valued Liapunov function  $V(n, x)$  with the following properties*

I)  $V(n, 0) = 0, V(n, x(n)) : Z^+ \times C \rightarrow K$  is continuous function and locally Lipschitzian in  $x(n)$  relative to  $K$ , for a continuous  $\beta(n) > 0$ ,

II)  $a(\phi_0, x^*(n)) \leq (\phi_0, V(n, x^*(n))) \leq b(\phi_0, x^*(n))$ ,

for  $a, b \in \mathcal{K}, \phi_0 \in K_0^*$  and  $(n, x(n)) \in Z^+ \times K$ .

III)  $(\phi_0, \Delta V(n, x^*(n))) \leq -c(\phi_0, x^*(n)), c \in \mathcal{K}$ , where  $\Delta$  is the difference operator define as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(V(n, x(n))) |_{(1.1)} &= V(n, x(n+1)) - V(n, x) \\ &= V(n, f(n, x)) - V(n, x). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* From the hypotheses, solutions of (1.1) are exist and unique. Let  $x(n_0, \psi)$  be a solution of (1.1), so that  $x(n_0, \psi) = \psi$ . Define the function  $c$  as

$$c(\phi_0, x^*(n)) = \frac{1}{A}[1 - \exp(A(\phi_0, x^*(n)))],$$

where  $A > 0$  is a constant. For

$$(\phi_0, x^*(t)) = 0, \quad \text{then} \quad \frac{1}{A}[1 - \exp(A(\phi_0, x^*(n)))] = 0.$$

This implies that  $c(0) = 0$ . For

$$(\phi_0, x^*) > 0, \quad \text{then} \quad \frac{1}{A}[1 - \exp(A(\phi_0, x^*(n)))]$$

is monotone increasing. It follows that  $c \in K$ .

This proves (I).

Now, we define a cone-valued Liapunov function by

$$(2.1) \quad V(n, 0) = \sup_{\delta \geq 0} c[(\phi_0, x^*(n))]x(n + \delta, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, x(n)))) \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right]$$

where  $\sigma_\omega : S_0(\rho) \rightarrow K$ , and  $x^*(n)$  is the maximal solution of (1.1) relative to the cone  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . For  $x = 0$ , thus from (2.1),  $V(n, 0) = 0$ , and for  $\delta = 0$ , we have

$$c[(\phi_0, x^*(n))]x(0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, x(n)))) \leq_K V(n, x(n)).$$

Thus

$$c[(\phi_0, x^*)](\phi_0, x(0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, x(n)))) \leq_K (\phi_0, V(n, x(n))).$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad c[(\phi_0, x^*)]\psi_0(\phi_0, e) = a[(\phi_0, x^*)] \leq_K (\phi_0, V(n, x^*(n))).$$

where

$$\psi_0 = \min |x(n_i)|, i = 1, 2, \dots, s; a(r) = u_0(\phi_0, e)c(r), \text{ and } e = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T.$$

Since the zero solution of (1.1) is uniformly asymptotically  $\phi_0$ -stable, given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist two numbers  $\delta = \delta(\epsilon)$ , and  $T = T(\epsilon)$  are independent of  $n_0$  such that

$$(\phi_0, \psi) < \delta(\phi_0, x^*) < \epsilon, \quad \text{for } n \geq T(\epsilon).$$

By using the fact that  $(1 + B\delta)/(1 + \delta) < B$ , from (2.1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi_0, x^*) &= \sup_{\delta \geq 0} c[(\phi_0, x^*)][(\phi_0, x(n + \delta, 0, \sigma_\omega(n, x(n))))] \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right] \\ &\leq \sup_{\delta \geq 0} c[(\phi_0, x^*)][(\phi_0, x^*)] \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right] \\ &\leq \sup_{\delta \geq 0} c[(\phi_0, x^*)][(\phi_0, x^*)] \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right] \\ &\leq \epsilon B c[(\phi_0, x^*)] = b[(\phi_0, x^*)] \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$(2.3) \quad (\phi_0, V(n, x^*(n))) \leq b[(\phi_0, x^*)], \quad b \in \mathcal{K}.$$

Comparing this with (2.2), we have

$$(2.4) \quad a[(\phi_0, x^*)] \leq (\phi_0, V(n, x^*(n))) \leq b[(\phi_0, x^*)], \quad a, b \in \mathcal{L}.$$

This proves(II).

Now, for  $\delta \leq T(\epsilon)$ , where  $T(\epsilon)$  is monotonic decreasing function, we have from uniform asymptotic  $\phi_0$ -stability that

$$(\phi_0, x^*) < \epsilon.$$

Hence, if  $\delta \geq T(\gamma(\phi_0, x^*))$ , for  $\gamma > 0$ , then

$$(\phi_0, x^*) < (\gamma(\phi_0, x^*)) \implies c(\phi_0, x^*) < c(\gamma(\phi_0, x^*))$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &c[(\phi_0, x^*)]x(n + \delta, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, n, x))) \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right] \\ &\leq Bc[(\phi_0, x^*)](\phi_0, x^*) \\ &\leq \epsilon bc[(\gamma(\phi_0, x^*))] \\ &\leq (\phi_0, V(n, x^*(n))) \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$c[(\phi_0, x^*)]x(n + \delta, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, x(n)))) \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right] \leq V(n, x).$$

This implies that  $V(n, x(n))$  is defined only for  $0 \leq \delta \leq T(\gamma(\phi_0, x^*))$ . As

$$V(n, x) = \sup_{0 \leq \delta \leq T} c[(\phi_0, x^*)]x(n + \delta, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, x(n)))) \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right]$$

where  $T = T(\gamma(\phi_0, x_n^*))$ .

By Corollary 2.7.1 of [4], and for  $x(n_1), x(n_2) \in S(\rho)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \| V(n, x(n_1)) - V(n, x(n_2)) \| \\
&= \left\| \sup_{0 \leq \delta \leq T} c[(\phi_0, x^*)]x(n + \delta, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(n_1)(0, x(n_1)))) \left( \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \sup_{0 \leq \delta \leq T} c[(\phi_0, x^*)]x(n + \delta, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(n_2)(0, x(n_2)))) \left( \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right) \right\| \\
&\leq \left| \sup_{0 \leq \delta \leq T} c[(\phi_0, x^*)] \left( \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right) \right| \| \sigma_\omega(x(n_1)(0, x(n_1))) \\
&\quad - \sigma_\omega(x(n_2)(0, x(n_2))) \| \\
&\leq k(n, w) \left| \sup_{0 \leq \delta \leq T} c[(\phi_0, x^*)] \left( \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right) \right| \exp \left( \sum_{s=0}^{s=n} L(s) \right) \| x(n_1) - x(n_2) \| \\
&\leq \beta(n) \| x(n_1) - x(n_2) \|.
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\beta(n) = k(n, w) \left| \sup_{0 \leq \delta \leq T} c(\phi_0, x^*) \left( \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right) \right| \exp \left( \sum_{s=0}^{s=n} L(s) \right)$$

is locally Lipschitzian in  $x(n_1)$  and  $x(n_2)$ . Therefore  $V(n, x(n))$  is locally Lipschitzian in  $x$ .

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.5) \quad & \| V(n + \delta, x) - V(n, y) \| \leq \| V(n + \delta, x) - V(n + \delta, y) \| \\
& \quad + \| V(n + \delta, y) - V(n + \delta, y)(n + \delta, y) \| \\
& \quad + \| V(n + \delta, y) - V(n, y) \|
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $V(n, x)$  is locally Lipschitzian in  $y$ ,  $y$  is continuous in  $\delta$ , the first two terms in the right hand side of the inequality (2.5) are small whenever  $\| y - x \|$  and  $\delta$  are small. By using (2.1), the term tends to zero. Therefore  $V(n, x)$  is continuous in all its arguments.

Let  $x = x(n_0, \psi)$ ,  $x(n_\rho) = x(n_\rho)(n + \rho, n, x)$ ,  $\rho > 0$ , then we have

$$V(n + \rho, x(n_\rho)) = \sup_{0 \leq \delta \leq T} c[(\phi_0, x^*)]x(n + \rho + \delta, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, x(n + \rho)))) \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right]$$

The continuity of  $V$  and the uniqueness of a solution of (1.1) imply that there exists a point  $\delta_\rho$  in which the upper bound is reached so that we have

$$V(n + \rho, x(n_\rho)) = c[(\phi_0, x^*)]x(n + \rho + \delta_\rho, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, x(n + \rho)))) \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta}{1 + \delta} \right].$$

By putting  $\delta_\rho = \delta_1 - \rho$ , and using the fact

$$\frac{1 + B\delta_\rho}{1 + \delta_\rho} = \left[ \frac{1 + B\delta_1}{1 + \delta_1} \right] \left[ 1 - \frac{(B - 1)\rho}{(1 + B\delta_1)(1 + \delta_\rho)} \right],$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & V(n + \rho, x(n_\rho)) \\
 &= c[(\phi_0, x^*)]x(n + \rho + \delta_\rho, 0, \sigma_\omega(x(0, x(n + \rho)))) \left( \frac{1 + B\delta_1}{1 + \delta_1} \right) \\
 &\quad \times \left[ 1 - \frac{(B-1)\rho}{(1 + B\delta_1)(1 + \delta_\rho)} \right] \\
 &\leq_K V(n, x) - \left[ \frac{(B-1)\rho V(n, x)}{(1 + B\delta_1)(1 + \delta_\rho)} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $0 \leq \delta_\rho < T$ ,  $0 < \rho < \delta_1 \leq \rho + T$ ,  $T$  is monotonic decreasing and using (2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{V(n + \rho, x(n_\rho)) - V(n, x)}{\rho} \leq_K - \left[ \frac{(B-1)V(n, x)}{(1 + B\delta_1)(1 + \delta_\rho)} \right] \\
 & \left( \phi_0, \frac{V(n + \rho, x(n_\rho)) - V(n, x)}{\rho} \right) \leq_K - \left[ \frac{(B-1)(\phi_0, V(n, x))}{1 + B\delta_1)(1 + \delta_\rho)} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta(\phi_0, V(n, x)) &\leq - \left[ \frac{(B-1)(\phi_0, V(n, x))}{(1 + BT(\gamma(\phi_0, x^*))(1 + T\gamma(\phi_0, x^*))) + B\rho} \right] \\
 &\leq -\beta(\phi_0, V(n, x)), \beta \in \kappa \\
 &\leq -\beta a[(\phi_0, x^*)] \leq c(\phi_0, x^*), c \in \mathcal{K}.
 \end{aligned}$$

This proves (III), and the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let the hypotheses of Theorem 2.1 be satisfied. Then the zero solution of (1.1) is totally  $\phi_0$ -stable.*

*Proof.* From Theorem 2.1, property (I) holds. Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given, choose  $\delta_1 = \delta_1(\epsilon)$  such that

$$a(\epsilon) > b(\delta_1(\epsilon)), \quad a, b \in \mathcal{K}.$$

Let  $x(n) = x(n, \psi)$  be a solution of (1.1) such that

$$(\phi_0, \psi) < \delta_1 \quad \text{and} \quad (\phi_0, h(n, x)) < \delta_2, \quad \text{for} \quad \delta_2 = \delta_2(\epsilon) > 0.$$

By (II) of Theorem 2.1, we have  $V(n_0, \psi) = b(\delta_1(\epsilon))$ .

Now, we claim that

$$(\phi_0, V(n, x)) < a(\epsilon), n \geq 0.$$

This claim leads to

$$a(\phi_0, x^*) < (\phi_0, V(n, x)) < a(\epsilon).$$

Then  $(\phi_0, x^*) < \epsilon$ , and this show that the trivial solution of (1.1) is totally  $\phi_0$ -stable.

Now, we justify this claim. Define

$$T(n) = (\phi_0, V(n, x)).$$

Suppose that this claim is false, then there exist two numbers  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  with  $n_0 < n_1 < n_2$  such that

$$T(n_1) = b(\delta_1(\epsilon)), \quad T(n_2) = a(\epsilon), \quad \text{and} \quad T(n) \geq b(\delta_1(\epsilon)) \quad \text{for} \quad n_1 \leq n \leq n_2.$$

This show that  $T(n)$  is nondecreasing in  $[n_1, n_2]$  and, we have

$$(2.6) \quad \Delta T(n_1) \geq 0$$

From (II) and (III) of Theorem 2.1 and for any  $c^* \in \kappa$ , we have

$$\Delta(\phi_0, V(n, x)) \leq -c^*(\phi_0, V(n, x)).$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta T &\leq -c^*(T) + M|(\phi_0, h(n, x))|, \quad M > 0 \\ &\leq -c^*(T) + M\delta_2 \\ &\leq -c^*(b(\delta_1(\epsilon))) + M\delta_2 \\ &= -b^*(\delta_1(\epsilon)) + M\delta_2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c^*(b(r)) = b^*(r) \in \mathcal{K}$ . Now, we choose

$$\delta_2 = b^* \left( \frac{\delta_1}{M} \right). \quad \implies \quad \Delta T < 0.$$

This contradicts (2.6) and our claim is justified. Therefore the zero solution of (1.1) is totally  $\phi_0$ -stable, and the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let the hypotheses of Theorem 2.1 be satisfied. Then the zero solution of (1.1) is totally  $\phi_0$ -stable under permanent perturbation bounded in the mean.*

*Proof.* From Theorem 2.1, the property (I) holds. Let  $x(n) = x(n_0, \psi)$  be a solution of (1.1) such that

$$(\phi_0, \psi) < \delta_1 \quad \text{and} \quad (\phi_0, h(n, x)) \leq \gamma(n), \quad \text{where} \quad \sum_{s=n_0}^{s=n_0+T} \gamma(s) ds < \delta_2.$$

Now, we are continuous as in the proof of Theorem 2.2, we arrive the inequality (2.6). From (I), (II), and (III), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta T &\leq -c^*(T) \leq -c^*(T) + M|(\phi_0, h(n, x))|, \quad M < 0 \\ &\leq -c^*(T) + M\gamma(n). \end{aligned}$$

Integrating on  $[n_0, T^*]$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\leq - \sum_n^{T^*} c^*(T(s)) ds + M \sum_{s=n}^{s=T^*} \gamma(s) ds \\ &\leq - \sum_{s=n}^{s=T^*} c^*(T(s)) ds + M \delta_2. \end{aligned}$$

Now, if we choose

$$\delta_2 = M^{-1} \sum_{s=n}^{s=T^*} c^*(T(s)) ds,$$

then  $T < 0$ , that is  $(\phi_0, V(n, x)) < 0$ . But this is impossible since the properties (II),

$$(\phi_0, V(n, x)) \geq a(\phi_0, x^*), a \in \mathcal{K}.$$

Therefore the result is immediated.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let the hypotheses of Theorem 2.1 be satisfied, and assume further that  $h(n, x)$  is locally Lipschitzian in  $x$  relative to the cone  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then the zero solution of (1.1) is uniformly totally  $\phi_0$ -stable.*

*Proof.* From Theorem 2.1, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(\phi_0, V(n, x)) &\leq -c^*[(\phi_0, V(n, x))] + M[(\phi_0, h(n, x))] \\ &\leq -c^*[(\phi_0, V(n, x))] + M\sigma(n), M > 0. \end{aligned}$$

since  $\sigma \in \mathbf{L}$ , then there exists  $T = T(\epsilon)$  sufficiently large such that for  $t \geq T(\epsilon)$ , we have that  $\sigma \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore

$$\Delta(\phi_0, V(n, x)) \leq -c^*[(\phi_0, V(n, x))].$$

From (II), we have

$$\Delta(\phi_0, V(n, x)) \leq -c^*[(\phi_0, V(n, x))] + M\sigma(n) = c^*[(\phi_0, x^*)],$$

where  $c^*, a \in \mathcal{K}$  and  $c^*[a(r)] = c(r)$  so that  $c \in \mathcal{K}$ . Now, by using the condition (I), (II) and (III), we see that the conditions of Theorem 3.1 of [1] are satisfied. Since

$$\|h(n, x) - h(n, y)\| \leq L(n) \|x - y\|, \quad \text{for } x, y \in K,$$

then putting  $y = 0$ , we get

$$\|h(n, x)\| \leq L(n) \|x\|,$$

when  $x = 0$ , we have  $\|h(n, x)\| = 0$ . Therefore from Theorem 3.4 of [1], and definition of uniformly totally  $\phi_0$ -stable, the result is immediated.  $\square$

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