

## GRONWALL, BIHARI AND LANGENHOP TYPE INEQUALITIES FOR DISCRETE PFAFFIAN EQUATION

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The object of this paper is to establish some new discrete inequalities of the Gronwall, Bihari and Langenhop type for Pfaffian equation.

### INTRODUCTION

It is well known that the discrete analogue of celebrated Gronwall's lemma<sup>4</sup> and its generalization, Bihari's lemma<sup>3</sup> established by Jones<sup>5</sup> and Sugiyama<sup>9</sup> (also see Agarwal and Thandapani<sup>1,2</sup> and Pachpatte<sup>8</sup>) play an important role in the theory of difference equations and numerical analysis. They have been used, for example, to obtain upper bounds of solutions as in Langenhop<sup>7</sup> it is shown that lower bounds can be obtained similarly. The purpose of this note is to demonstrate how similar estimates can be derived for solutions of discrete Pfaffian equations and for the continuous case similar results are available in Grudo and Yarchuk<sup>6</sup>.

Before giving the main result, we shall first introduce some notations which we shall use throughout the paper.  $N$  denotes the set  $\{0, 1, \dots\}$ . The expression  $\sum_{s=0}^{t-1} b(s)$  represents a solution of the linear difference equation  $\Delta z(t) = b(t)$  for all  $t \in N$  under the initial condition  $z(0) = 0$  where  $\Delta$  is the operator defined by  $\Delta z(t) = z(t+1) - z(t)$ . It is supposed that  $\sum_{s=0}^{-1} b(s) = 0$ . The expression  $\prod_{s=0}^{t-1} c(s)$  represents a solution of the linear difference equation  $z(t+1) = c(t)z(t)$  for all  $t \in N$  with the initial condition  $z(0) = 1$ . It is supposed that  $\prod_{s=0}^{-1} c(s) = 1$ . We also define

$$\Delta z_{t_1}(t_1, t_2) = z(t_1 + 1, t_2) - z(t_1, t_2)$$

$\Delta z_{t_2}(t_1, t_2) = z(t_1, t_2 + 1) - z(t_1, t_2)$  where the letters  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are used to denote the two independent variable which are members of  $N$ .

### MAIN RESULT

Consider the discrete Pfaffian equation in two independent variables :

$$x(t_1, t_2) = x(0, 0) + \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} f_1(s_1, t_2, x(s_1, t_2)) + \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} f_2(0, s_2, x(0, s_2)) \quad \dots(1)$$

where

$f_j (j = 1, 2)$  are real-valued and defined for all  $t_1 > 0, t_2 \geq 0$

and

$$|f_j(t_1, t_2, x)| \leq F_j(t_1, t_2) W_j(|x|) \quad (j = 1, 2) \quad \dots(2)$$

where the  $F_j$  are real-valued, non negative and defined for all  $t_1 \geq 0, t_2 \geq 0$  and  $W_j(u)$  are continuous and non decreasing for  $u \geq 0$  and  $W_j(u) > 0$  for  $u > 0$ .

*Theorem* — Let  $|x(t_1, t_2)| > 0$  for  $t_1 \geq 0$  and  $t_2 \geq 0$ . Then, if  $t_1 \geq 0, t_2 \geq 0$ , we have

$$|x(t_1, t_2)| \leq G_1^{-1} \left\{ \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) + G_1 \left[ G_2^{-1} \left( \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right) \right] \right\} \quad \dots(3)$$

where,

$$G_t(u) = \int_{u_0}^u \frac{d u_1}{W_t(u_1)} \quad (0 < u < \bar{u}_t, u_0 = |x(0, 0)|) \quad \dots(4)$$

and

$G_t^{-1} (t = 1, 2)$  are the inverses of  $G_t$ .

Furthermore,

$$|x(t_1, t_2)| > G_1^{-1} \left\{ - \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) + G_1 \left[ G_2^{-1} \left( - \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right) \right] \right\} \quad \dots(5)$$

for all  $t_1 \geq 0, t_2 > 0$  for which

$$- \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) + G_1 \left[ G_2^{-1} \left( - \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right) \right] \in \text{dom}(G_1^{-1})$$

and

$$- \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \in \text{dom}(G_2^{-1}).$$

PROOF : By putting  $|x(t_1, t_2)| = u(t_1, t_2)$ , we conclude from (2) that

$$u(t_1, t_2) \leq u_0 + \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) W_1(u(s_1, t_2)) + \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) W_2(u(0, s_2)). \quad \dots(6)$$

Now put

$$R(t_1, t_2) = u_0 + \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) W_1(u(s_1, t_2)) + \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) W_2(u(0, s_2))$$

to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta R_{t_1} &= F_1(t_1, t_2) W_1(u(t_1, t_2)) \\ &\leq F_1(t_1, t_2) W_1(R(t_1, t_2)) \end{aligned}$$

since  $W_1(u)$  is non decreasing and  $u(t_1, t_2) \leq R(t_1, t_2)$ . Since  $R(t_1, t_2) > 0$  and  $W_1(u) > 0$  for  $u > 0$ , this inequality together with (4) yields

$$G_1(R(t_1, t_2)) - G_1(R(0, t_2)) \leq \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2). \quad \dots(7)$$

From (6), we have, on putting  $t_1 = 0$

$$u(0, t_2) \leq u_0 + \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) W_2(u(0, s_2)).$$

As before, we conclude that

$$G_2(R(0, t_2)) - G_2(R(0, 0)) \leq \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2).$$

Since  $R(0, 0) = u_0$  and  $G_2(u_0) = 0$ , we have

$$R(0, t_2) \leq G_2^{-1} \left[ \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right]. \quad \dots(8)$$

Hence, since  $G_1(R(t_1, t_2)) \geq G_1(u(t_1, t_2))$ , we conclude from (7) and (8) that

$$G_1(u(t_1, t_2)) \leq G_1 \left\{ G_2^{-1} \left[ \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right] \right\} + \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2)$$

and the result (3) follows.

We now prove (5). Again using the notation  $|x(t_1, t_2)| = u(t_1, t_2)$ , We find from (1) and (2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(t_1, t_2) \geq u(s_1, s_2) &- \sum_{r_1=s_1}^{t_1-1} F_1(r_1, t_2) W_1(u(r_1, t_2)) \\
 &- \sum_{r_2=s_2}^{t_2-1} F_2(s_1, r_2) W_2(u(s_1, r_2)) \quad \dots(9)
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $t_1 > 0, t_2 > 0$  and  $0 \leq s_i \leq t_i (i = 1, 2)$ .

Let

$$\begin{aligned}
 R(s_1, s_2) = u(t_1, t_2) &+ \sum_{r_1=s_1}^{t_1-1} F_1(r_1, t_2) W_1(u(r_1, t_2)) \\
 &+ \sum_{r_2=s_2}^{t_2-1} F_2(s_1, r_2) W_2(u(s_1, r_2)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\Delta R_{s_2} = - F_2(s_1, s_2) W_2(u(s_1, s_2))$$

and since  $R(s_1, s_2) \geq u(s_1, s_2)$

$$\Delta R_{s_2} \geq - F_2(s_1, s_2) W_2(R(s_1, s_2)).$$

Thus

$$G_2(R(s_1, t_2)) - G_2(R(s_1, s_2)) > - \sum_{r_2=s_2}^{t_2-1} F_2(s_1, r_2)$$

and we conclude that

$$G_2(R(s_1, t_2)) \geq G_2(u(s_1, s_2)) - \sum_{r_2=s_2}^{t_2-1} F_2(s_1, r_2).$$

This implies that

$$R(s_1, t_2) \geq G_2^{-1}[G_2(u(s_1, s_2)) - \sum_{r_2=s_2}^{t_2-1} F_2(s_1, r_2)]. \quad \dots(10)$$

Putting  $s_2 = t_2$  in (9), we obtain

$$u(t_1, t_2) \geq u(s_1, t_2) - \sum_{r_1=s_1}^{t_1-1} F_1(r_1, t_2) W_1(u(r_1, t_2)).$$

Hence

$$G_1(R(t_1, t_2)) - G_1(R(s_1, t_2)) > - \sum_{r_1=s_1}^{t_1-1} F_1(r_1, t_2).$$

Since  $R(t_1, t_2) = u(t_1, t_2)$ , (10) implies that

$$G_1(u(t_1, t_2)) \geq - \sum_{r_1=s_1}^{t_1-1} F_1(r_1, t_2) + G_1 \left\{ G_2^{-1} \left[ G_2(u(s_1, s_2)) - \sum_{r_2=s_2}^{t_2-1} F_2(s_1, r_2) \right] \right\}$$

and putting  $s_1 = 0, s_2 = 0$ , we obtain

$$G_1(u(t_1, t_2)) \geq - \sum_{r_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(r_1, t_2) + G_1 \left\{ G_2^{-1} \left[ - \sum_{r_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, r_2) \right] \right\}.$$

This proves (5).

*Remark 1:* If  $W_1(u) = W_2(u)$ , (3) and (5) simplify :

$$|x(t_1, t_2)| \leq G_1^{-1} \left[ \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) + \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right]$$

$$|x(t_1, t_2)| \geq G_1^{-1} \left[ \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) - \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right].$$

*Remarks 2:* If  $W_1(u) = W_2(u) = u$ , we have

$$|x(t_1, t_2)| \leq |x(0, 0)| \prod_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} [1 + F_1(s_1, t_2)] \prod_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} [1 + F_2(0, s_2)]$$

$$\leq |x(0, 0)| \exp \left[ \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) + \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right].$$

$$|x(t_1, t_2)| \geq |x(0, 0)| \prod_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} [1 - F_1(s_1, t_2)] \prod_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} [1 - F_2(0, s_2)]$$

$$\geq |x(0, 0)| \exp \left[ - \sum_{s_1=0}^{t_1-1} F_1(s_1, t_2) - \sum_{s_2=0}^{t_2-1} F_2(0, s_2) \right].$$

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