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MATHEMATICAL APPLICATIONS OF THE INDUCTION METHOD IN THE THEORY
OF ABSTRACT STATIONARY EQUATIONS

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Abstract. We study abstract systems of stationary inequalities of the following type:

$$\sum_{1 \leq j \leq m} a_{ij} \tilde{K}_{\tau_{ij}}(x_j) \leq N_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq t, \quad (1)$$

where m, t, N_i ($1 \leq i \leq t$), a_{ij} ($1 \leq i \leq t, 1 \leq j \leq m$) are the elements of the set \mathbb{Z}_+ - the set of natural numbers.

In this article we formulate and prove theorems about the solutions of an abstract stationary equation $\tilde{K}_\eta(x) = r, r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, and observe [7] estimates for the number of solutions of (1).

Let Λ° be the set of all functions $\eta(x) \equiv \eta, \eta: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_+$, which satisfies the condition $\eta(x) \leq x$, when $x \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. For every function $\eta \in \Lambda^\circ$ define its index $\tilde{K}_\eta(x) \equiv \tilde{K}_\eta, \tilde{K}_\eta: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_+$ by the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{K}_\eta(x) &:= \min\{\ell \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \eta^{(\ell)}(x) \in A_\eta\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{Z}_+; \\ \eta^{(1)}(x) &:= \eta(x), \quad \eta^{(\ell)}(x) := \eta(\eta^{(\ell-1)}(x)), \quad \ell \geq 2; \end{aligned}$$

$$A_\eta := \{x: x \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \eta(x) = x\}.$$

In the system (1) the functions $\tau_{ij} \in \Lambda^\circ$ ($1 \leq i \leq t, 1 \leq j \leq m$), $\tilde{K}_{\tau_{ij}}$ is their index and

$$\forall i (i=1, t) \quad \sum_{1 \leq j \leq m} a_{ij} \leq N_i.$$

It follows therefore that the system (1) has a solution $x=(1, 1, \dots, 1)$, since $\tilde{K}_{\tau_{ij}}(1) = 1$.

We use the following definitions. P - the set of prime numbers, $d(x)$ - the number of positive divisors of $x \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, $\psi_\eta(n)$ - the set of solutions of the stationary equation $\tilde{K}_\eta(x) = n, n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

The main theorems

1^o. Theorem 1. Let $\eta \in \Lambda^\circ$ and let the following conditions be true:

1. The function $\eta(p) \rightarrow \infty$, when $p \in P$ and $p \rightarrow \infty$.

2. For any $m (m \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$, $\eta(\eta(2n+1)) \neq \eta(2m+1)$.

3. The set A_η^{-1} ,

$$A_\eta^{-1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x: x \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \eta(x) \in A_\eta\}, \quad (2)$$

is limited.

4. The following inequalities are satisfied

$$\tilde{K}_\eta(x) + \tilde{K}_\eta(y) \leq \begin{cases} \tilde{K}_\eta(xy), & \text{if } (-1)^x + (-1)^y = 2; \\ \tilde{K}_\eta(xy) + 1, & \text{if } (-1)^x + (-1)^y < 2. \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Then for any $n (n \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$, $\psi_n(n) \neq \emptyset$ and is limited.

Theorem 2. Let $\eta \in \Lambda^0$, $C_1 \geq 2$, and let the following conditions be true:

1. The function $\eta(p) \rightarrow \infty$, when $p \in \mathbb{P}$ and $p \rightarrow \infty$.

2. For any $p (p \in \mathbb{P})$, $d(\eta(p)) \leq C_1$.

3. The set A_η^{-1} is limited.

4. The inequalities (3) are satisfied.

Then for any $n (n \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$ the set

$$T_{n, C_1}(\eta) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x: x \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \tilde{K}_\eta(x) = n, d(x) \leq C_1\} \quad (4)$$

is empty or $T_{n, C_1}(\eta) \neq \emptyset$ and is limited.

Another sufficient conditions will be given in the next Theorem 3. Therefore we shall define a subset Λ^* of Λ^0 . For every function $\eta \in \Lambda^*$ the set $A_\eta = \{1\}$.

Let Λ^* be the set of functions $\eta(x) \equiv n$, $\eta: \mathbb{Z}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_+$, which satisfies the conditions:

1. $\eta(1) = \eta(2) = 1$.

2. $\forall x (x \in \mathbb{Z}_+, x \geq 3)$, $2 \leq \eta(x) < x$.

The index $\tilde{K}_\eta(x)$ in Λ^* we denote by $K_\eta^*(x)$.

Theorem 3. Let $\eta \in \Lambda^*$ and let the following conditions be true:

1. There exists such $C_2 (0 < C_2 < 1)$ that for any $x (x \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$

$$C_2 d(x) \leq d(\eta(x)) \leq d(x) \quad (5)$$

2. For any $m (m \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$ there exists such $C_m (\geq 2)$ that for any $x (x \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$, $d(x) \leq m$

$$x \leq C_m \eta(x). \quad (6)$$

Then for any $n (n \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$, $\psi_n(n) = \emptyset$ or $\psi_n(n) \neq \emptyset$, is limited and for any pair $y, m (y \in \mathbb{Z}_+, m \in \mathbb{Z}_+, y \in \psi_n(\tau), d(y) \leq m)$ the following estimate is true

$$y \leq C_m^n. \quad (7)$$

Corollary. Let $\tau \in \Lambda^*$ and let be given the system of numbers $\{C_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}$, $C_{ij} \geq 2$, and the system of sets $\{A_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}$, $A_{ij} \neq \emptyset$, which satisfies the formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x, i, j (x \in A_{ij}, i \in \mathbb{Z}_+, j \in \mathbb{Z}_+) \\ \tau(x) \in A_{ij}, \\ x \leq C_{ij} \tau(x) \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Then for every pair i, j we have:

$$\forall n (n \in \mathbb{Z}_+) \quad \psi_n(\tau) \cap A_{ij} = \emptyset$$

or $\psi_n(\tau) \cap A_{ij} \neq \emptyset$ and

$$\max\{x: x \in \psi_n(\tau) \cap A_{ij}\} \leq C_{ij}^n. \quad (9)$$

Proofs

2^o. Proof of the Theorem 1. From the definition of $\tilde{K}_n(x)$, formula (3) and by the mathematical induction we have

$$\tilde{K}_n(2) = 1, \quad \forall u (u \in \mathbb{Z}_+) \quad \tilde{K}_n(2^u) \geq u.$$

Hence for any $n (n \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$

$$\psi_n(n) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{t: t \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \tilde{K}_n(t) = n\} \neq \emptyset.$$

By formula $\psi_1(n) = n^{-1}(A_n)$ and condition 3, $\psi_1(n)$ is limited. Suppose that $(n \geq 1)$

$$\psi_1(n), \dots, \psi_n(n)$$

are limited and investigate $\psi_{n+1}(n)$. Let

$$x_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n} \max\{t: t \in \psi_j(n)\}. \quad (10)$$

There is a number C_3 (≥ 1) such that

$$\forall p (p \in P, p > C_3) \quad n(p) > X_n$$

(condition 1). Therefore, if $p > C_3$, then $\tilde{K}_n(p) \geq n+2$.

Let $z \in \psi_{n+1}(\eta)$

1. If $z \in P$, then

$$z \leq C_3. \quad (11)$$

2. If $z \notin P$, $z \equiv 1(2)$, then $z=xy$, $x \equiv 1 \equiv y(2)$, $x \geq 3$, $y \geq 3$. By condition 2 $\tilde{K}_n(x) \geq 2$, $\tilde{K}_n(y) \geq 2$. Then inequality (3) gives $2 \leq \tilde{K}_n(x) \leq n$, $2 \leq \tilde{K}_n(y) \leq n$. Using the assumption of induction we derive

$$x < X_n, \quad y < X_n, \quad z = xy < X_n^2. \quad (12)$$

3. If $z \notin P$, $z \equiv 0(2)$, then $z=xy$, $x \geq 2$, $y \geq 2$.

a) Let $x \equiv 0(2)$, $y \equiv 1(2)$. By (3) $\tilde{K}_n(y) \leq n+1$. Using condition 2 $\tilde{K}_n(y) \geq 2$ and $\tilde{K}_n(x) \leq n$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} x &\leq X_n, \quad y < C_3 + X_n^2, \\ z &= xy < X_n(C_3 + X_n^2). \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

b) Let $x \equiv y \equiv 0(2)$. By inequality (3) we get $\tilde{K}_n(x) \leq n$, $\tilde{K}_n(y) \leq n$. Using the assumption of induction $x \leq X_n$, $y \leq X_n$ and

$$z \leq X_n^2 \quad (14)$$

The inequalities (11), (12), (13), (14) proves

$$z < C_3 X_n + X_n^3$$

and we obtain Theorem 1.

Proof of the Theorem 2. By condition 3

$$\emptyset \neq T_{1,C_1}(\eta) \subset \psi_1(\eta) = \eta^{-1}(A_\eta)$$

and $T_{1,C_1}(\eta)$ is limited. Suppose that for any j ($j = \overline{1, n}$; $n \geq 1$)

$T_{j,C_1}(\eta) = \emptyset$ or $T_{j,C_1}(\eta) \neq \emptyset$ and is limited. Investigate $T_{n+1,C_1}(\eta)$.

Let

$$X'_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \max\{t: t \in \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq n} T_{j,C_1}(\eta)\}. \quad (15)$$

There is a number C_4 (≥ 1) such that

$$\forall p (p \in P, p > C_4) \quad n(p) > X'_n$$

(condition 1). Therefore, from the condition 2

$$n(p) \in \bigcup_{j=n+1}^{\infty} T_{j, C_1}(\eta)$$

and $\tilde{K}_n(p) \geq n+2$.

Let $T_{n+1, C_1}(\eta) \neq \emptyset$ and $z \in T_{n+1, C_1}(\eta)$.

1. If $z \in P$, then

$$z \leq C_4. \quad (16)$$

2. Let $z \notin P$ and $z \equiv 1(2)$. By p we denote some prime divisor of z , $z = ps$, $s \in Z_+$. From (3) $\tilde{K}_n(p) \leq \tilde{K}_n(ps) = n+1$. Using (15), (16) and the assumption of mathematical induction, we obtain

$$p < X'_n + C_4.$$

Since $d(z) \leq C_1$, then

$$z < (X'_n + C_4)^{d(z)} \leq (X'_n + C_4)^{C_1}. \quad (17)$$

3. Let $z \in P$ and $z \equiv 0(2)$.

a) If $z = 2^\ell y$, where $\ell \geq 1$, $y \geq 3$, $y \equiv 1(2)$, then by (3)

$$\tilde{K}_n(2^\ell) + \tilde{K}_n(y) \leq \tilde{K}_n(z) + 1 = n+2.$$

But $\tilde{K}_n(2^\ell) \geq 1$ and, therefore, $\tilde{K}_n(y) \leq n+1$. Besides this $d(y) < d(z) \leq C_1$. If $1 \leq \tilde{K}_n(y) \leq n$, then by induction $y \leq X'_n$. If $\tilde{K}_n(y) = n+1$, then for prime y (item 1) and multiple y (item 2) we have the following considerable estimates

$$y \leq C_4, \quad y < (X'_n + C_4)^{C_1}.$$

Hence

$$y < (X'_n + C_4)^{C_1}.$$

Since $\ell < C_1$, we have

$$z = 2^\ell y < 2^{C_1} (X'_n + C_4)^{C_1}. \quad (18)$$

β) If $z = 2^\tau$, $\tau \geq 2$, then from the inequality $\tau < d(z) \leq C_1$ it follows

$$z < 2^{C_1} \quad (19)$$

The inequalities (16), (17), (18), (19) prove

$$z < 2^{C_1}(X'_n + C_4)^{C_1}$$

and the Theorem 2.

Proof of the Theorem 3. The set $\psi_1(\eta) = \{1, 2\}$. Therefore theorem is true for $n=1$. Suppose that the theorem is true for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and consider $n+1 \geq 2$. Let $\psi_{n+1}(\eta) \neq \emptyset$ and $y \in \psi_{n+1}(\eta)$. Then $\eta(y) \in \psi_n(\eta) \neq \emptyset$. By assumption of mathematical induction $\psi_n(\eta)$ is limited. Then there exists $b_n = b_n(\eta) \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \forall t \in \psi_n(\eta) \\ t \leq b_n(\eta), \quad d(t) \leq b_n(\eta). \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

By (5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(y) &\leq C_2^{-1} d(\eta(y)) \leq C_2^{-1} b_n(\eta), \\ d(y) &\leq \left[C_2^{-1} b_n(\eta) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

It is proved, that the function $d(y)$ is uniformly bounded on $\psi_{n+1}(\eta)$. It follows from (6) and (20) that

$$y \leq C \left[C_2^{-1} b_n(\eta) \right]^{\eta(y)} \leq C \left[C_2^{-1} b_n(\eta) \right]^{b_n(\eta)}$$

Consequently $\psi_{n+1}(\eta)$ is limited.

We shall prove (7). Let $y \in \psi_{n+1}(\eta)$ and $d(y) \leq m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Then by (5)

$$d(\eta(y)) \leq d(y) \leq m$$

and $\eta(y) \in \psi_n(\eta)$. Using (6) and assumption of induction for $\eta(y)$, we obtain

$$y \leq C_m \eta(y) \leq C_m \cdot C_m^n = C_m^{n+1}$$

and the Theorem 3.

Corollary may be proved by analogous method.

Applications

3^o. We shall illustrate some mathematical applications of results in the theory of stationary inequalities.

Let Λ_1 be the set of all functions $\eta \in \Lambda^*$, which satisfies the condition

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ПРИМЕНИ НА МЕТОДОТ НА ИНДУКЦИЈА ВО ТЕОРИЈАТА
НА АПСТРАКТНИ СТАЦИОНАРНИ РАВЕНКИ

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Се разгледуваат одредени апстрактни системи стационарни неравенки, се формулираат и докажуваат теореми за решенијата на соодветни апстрактни стационарни равенки и се прават оценки за бројот на решенија на неравенките.