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# Oscillation Criteria of Solutions of Third Order Neutral IntegroDifferential Equations 

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#### Abstract

Some necessary and sufficient conditions are obtained that guarantee the oscillation of all solutions of two types of neutral integro-differential equations of third order. The integral is used in the sense of Riemann-Stieltjes. Some examples were included to illustrate the obtained results


Keywords: Third Order Neutral Differential Equations; Integro-Differential Equations; Oscillation Criteria, Riemann-Stieltjes Integral.

## معيار التذبذ لحلول المعادلات التفاضلية- التكاملية المحايدة من الرتبة الثالثة

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& \text { الخلاصة } \\
& \text { تم الحصول على بعض الشروط الضرورية والكافية لضمان تذبذب كل الحلول لنوعين من المعادلات } \\
& \text { التفاضلية-التكاملية المحايدة من الرتبة الثالثة. التكامل المستخدم هو تكامل ريمان ستيلتجز . قدمنا بعض } \\
& \text { الامثلة لتوضيح النتائج التي تم الحصول عليها. }
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## 1. Introduction

In this paper, the third order neutral integro differential equations are studied. Consider the following integro-differential equations of the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
[x(t)-p(t) x(\tau(t))]^{\prime \prime \prime}=\delta \int_{0}^{t} x(t-s) d r(t, s), \quad t \geq 0, \delta= \pm 1 \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the integral is in the sense of Riemann-Stieltjes, and assume that the following hypotheses are fulfilled:
(H1) $p, \tau \in\left[[0, \infty), R^{+}\right], \tau$ is increasing and $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} \tau(t)=\infty$.
(H2) $r(t, s)$ is increasing with respect to $s$ for $s \in[0, t]$.
(H3) $g(t)=r(t, t)-r(t, 0), g \in C[[0, \infty),(0, \infty)]$.
A function $x(t)$ is a solution of eq.(1.1) if $x(t)-p(t) x(\tau(t))$ is three times continuously differentiable on $\left[t_{x}, \infty\right), t_{x}=\min \left\{t_{0}, \tau\left(t_{0}\right), \sigma\left(t_{0}\right)\right\}, t_{0} \geq 0$ and $x(t)$ satisfies

[^0]eq.(1.1) on $\left[t_{x}, \infty\right)$. A solution $x(t)$ is said to be oscillatory if it has arbitrarily large zeros on $\left[t_{x}, \infty\right)$, otherwise it is said to be nonoscillatory. Eq.(1.1) is said to be oscillatory if all of its solutions are oscillatory. There has been much research concerning oscillatory and nonoscillatory behaviors of solutions to different classes of third order nonlinear neutral differential equations; we refer the reader to [1,2,4, 6]. In earlier works [1, 2], the authors obtained some necessary and sufficient conditions to ensure the oscillation of the first order neutral integrodifferential equations. In others [3-5], the authors studied delay integrodifferential equations and established some conditions for oscillation. In this paper, some necessary and sufficient conditions have been obtained to ensure the oscillation of eq.(1.1), where $\delta=1$ or $\delta=-1$. The next lemma is useful in proving the main results of the paper.
Lemma 1. ([6], Lemma 2.2)
i- In addition to the conditions
(a) $p \in C\left(\left[t_{0}, \infty\right),(0, \infty)\right)$;
(b) $\tau \in C\left(\left[t_{0}, \infty\right), R\right) ; \tau$ is strictly increasing and $\tau(t) \leq t, t \geq t_{0}$,
suppose that $0<p(t) \leq 1$ for $t \geq t_{0}$. Let $x(t)$ be a continuous nonoscillatory solution of the functional inequality
$$
x(t)[x(t)-p(t) x(\tau(t))]<0
$$
defined in a neighborhood of infinity. Then $x(t)$ is bounded.
ii- In addition to the conditions
(a) $p \in C\left(\left[t_{0}, \infty\right),(0, \infty)\right)$;
(b) $\tau \in C\left(\left[t_{0}, \infty\right), R\right) ; \tau$ is strictly increasing and $\tau(t) \geq t, t \geq t_{0}$,
suppose that $p(t) \geq 1$ for $t \geq t_{0}$. Let $x(t)$ be a continuous nonoscillatory solution of the functional inequality
$$
x(t)[x(t)-p(t) x(\tau(t))]>0
$$
defined in a neighborhood of infinity. Then $x(t)$ is bounded.

## 2. Main Results

In this section, we present four results for the oscillation of all solutions of eq.(1.1). First, we begin to study eq.(1.1) with $\delta=+1$.
Theorem 2.1. Assume that (H1) - (H3) hold, $p(t) \geq 1, \tau(t) \geq t$ and

$$
\begin{gather*}
\limsup \int_{t \rightarrow \infty}^{t} g(s) d s=\infty  \tag{2.1}\\
\limsup _{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{T}^{t} \int_{T}^{v} \frac{d r(v, s)}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)} d v=\infty, \quad T \geq t_{0} \tag{2.2}
\end{gather*}
$$

Then, every solution of eq.(1.1) oscillates on $\left[t_{0}, \infty\right)$.
Proof. Suppose that $x(t)$ is an eventually positive solution of eq. (1.1) . Let

$$
\begin{equation*}
z(t)=x(t)-p(t) x(\tau(t)) \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

then by eq.(1.1), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=\int_{0}^{t} x(t-s) d r(t, s) \geq 0, \quad t \geq t_{0} \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

hence $z^{\prime \prime}(t), z^{\prime}(t), z(t)$ are monotone functions. We claim that $z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$. Otherwise, if $\quad z^{\prime \prime}(t) \geq 0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$, yields $z^{\prime}(t)>0, z(t)>0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$ and $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t)=\infty$ implies that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t)=\infty$. On the other side, by lemma 1-ii, $x(t)$ is bounded, which is a contradiction. Hence $z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$, then there are two possibilities to consider:
(1) $z^{\prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$; (2) $z^{\prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$.

If (1) holds, that is $z^{\prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{2}$ then $z(t)<0$ and $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t)=-\infty$.
By (2.3), we obtain $z(t) \geq-p(t) x(\tau(t))$

$$
\begin{equation*}
x(t) \geq-\frac{1}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t)\right)} z\left(\tau^{-1}(t)\right) \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

By substituting (2.5) in (2.4), we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) & \geq-\int_{0}^{t} \frac{z\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)} d r(t, s)  \tag{2.6}\\
& \geq-z\left(\tau^{-1}(t)\right) \int_{t_{2}}^{t} \frac{1}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)} d r(t, s) .
\end{align*}
$$

By integrating the last inequality from $t_{2}$ to $t$, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
z^{\prime \prime}(t)-z^{\prime \prime}\left(t_{2}\right) \geq-z\left(\tau^{-1}\left(t_{2}\right)\right) \int_{t_{2}}^{t} \int_{t_{2}}^{v} \frac{d r(v, s)}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(v-s)\right)} d v \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, then (2.7) leads to $z^{\prime \prime}(t) \rightarrow \infty$, which is a contradiction since $z^{\prime \prime}(t)$ is negatively increasing.
(2) $z^{\prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{2}$. In this case, there are two possibilities to investigate:
(a) $z(t)>0, t \geq t_{3} \geq t_{2}$; (b) $z(t)<0, t \geq t_{3} \geq t_{2}$.

If (a) holds, $z(t)>0$, then $x(t) \geq z(t)$, by (1.1) + we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) \geq \int_{0}^{t} z(t-s) d r(t, s) \geq z(t) g(t) \tag{2.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

By integrating (2.8) from $t_{3}$ to $t$, it follows that

$$
z^{\prime \prime}(t)-z^{\prime \prime}\left(t_{3}\right) \geq z\left(t_{3}\right) \int_{t_{3}}^{t} g(s) d s
$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, the last inequality implies that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z^{\prime \prime}(t)=\infty$, which is a contradiction.
Finally, if (b) holds, then $z(t)<0, z^{\prime}(t)>0, z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{3}$.
In this case, again, (2.6) is fulfilled. It follows from (2.6) that

$$
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) \geq-z\left(\tau^{-1}(0)\right) \int_{t_{3}}^{t} \frac{1}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)} d r(t, s), \quad z\left(\tau^{-1}(0)\right) \leq z\left(\tau^{-1}\left(t_{3}\right)\right)<0
$$

Integrating the last inequality from $t_{3}$ to $t$ yields

$$
z^{\prime \prime}(t)-z^{\prime \prime}\left(t_{3}\right) \geq-z\left(\tau^{-1}(0)\right) \int_{t_{3}}^{t} \int_{t_{3}}^{v} \frac{1}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(v-s)\right)} d r(v, s) d v
$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, it follows that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z^{\prime \prime(t)}=\infty$, which is a contradiction. Hence, every solution of eq.(1.1) oscillates on [ $t_{0}, \infty$ ).
Theorem 2.2. Assume that (H1) - (H3) hold, $0<p(t) \leq 1, \tau(t) \leq t$ and (2.1), (2.2) hold, then every bounded solution of eq.(1.1) oscillates on $\left[t_{0}, \infty\right)$.
Proof. Suppose that $x(t)$ is an eventually positive bounded solution of eq.(1.1), then $z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) \geq 0, t \geq t_{0}$ and $z^{\prime \prime}(t), z^{\prime}(t), z(t)$ are monotone functions if $z^{\prime \prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$, then $z^{\prime}(t)>0$ and $z(t) \rightarrow \infty$, which implies that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t)=\infty$, which is a contradiction, since $x(t)$ is bounded. If $z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$, we claim that $z^{\prime}(t)>0$, for $t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$. Otherwise if $z^{\prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$, then $z(t)<0$ and $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t)=-\infty$ implies to $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t)=\infty$, which is a contradiction.
Hence, $z^{\prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$ and there are two possibilities to investigate:
(a) $z(t)>0, z^{\prime}(t)>0, z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{3} \geq t_{2}$; (b) $z(t)<0, z^{\prime}(t)>0, z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq$ $t_{3} \geq t_{2}$. The proof of the cases (a) and (b) is similar to (2)-(a) and (2)-(b) in theorem 2.1.
In the following results, we study the eq.(1.1) when $\delta=-1$.
Theorem 2.3 Assume that (H1) - (H3) hold, $0<p(t) \leq 1, \tau(t) \leq t$ and (2.1), (2.2) hold, then every solution of eq.(1.1) oscillates on $\left[t_{0}, \infty\right)$.
Proof. Suppose that $x(t)$ is an eventually positive solution of eq.(1.1). Then by eq.(1.1), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=-\int_{0}^{t} x(t-s) d(r, s) \leq 0, \quad t \geq t_{0} \tag{2.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence, $z^{\prime \prime}(t), z^{\prime}(t), z(t)$ are monotone functions. We claim that $z^{\prime \prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$.
Otherwise, if $z^{\prime \prime}(t) \leq 0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$, this yields that $z^{\prime}(t)<0, z(t)<0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$ and $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t)=-\infty$, which implies that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t)=\infty$. On the other side, by lemma 1-i, $x(t)$ is bounded, which is a contradiction. Hence, $z^{\prime \prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$, then there are two possibilities to consider:
(1) $z^{\prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$; (2) $z^{\prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$.

If (1) holds, then $z(t)>0$ and $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t)=\infty$.
Then, $x(t) \geq z(t)$. By eq.(1.1), we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) \leq-\int_{0}^{t} z(t-s) d r(t, s) \leq-z(t) g(t) \tag{2.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

By integrating (2.10) from $t_{2}$ to $t$, it follows that

$$
z^{\prime \prime}(t)-z^{\prime \prime}\left(t_{2}\right) \leq-z\left(t_{2}\right) \int_{t_{2}}^{t} g(s) d s
$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, the last inequality implies that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z^{\prime \prime}(t)=-\infty$, which is a contradiction.
(2) $z^{\prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{2}$. In this case, there are two possibilities to investigate:
(a) $z(t)<0, t \geq t_{3} \geq t_{2}$; (b) $z(t)>0, t \geq t_{3} \geq t_{2}$

Let (a) holds, then by (2.3) we obtain $z(t) \geq-p(t) x(\tau(t))$ and (2.5) holds.
By substituting (2.5) in eq.(1.1), we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) & \leq \int_{0}^{t} \frac{z\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)} d r(t, s),  \tag{2.11}\\
& \leq z\left(\tau^{-1}(t)\right) \int_{t_{2}}^{t} \frac{1}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)} d r(t, s) .
\end{align*}
$$

By integrating the last inequality from $t_{2}$ to $t$, we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
z^{\prime \prime}(t)-z^{\prime \prime}\left(t_{2}\right) \leq z\left(\tau^{-1}\left(t_{2}\right)\right) \int_{t_{2}}^{t} \int_{t_{2}}^{v} \frac{d r(v, s)}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(v-s)\right)} d v \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, then (2.12) leads to $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z^{\prime \prime}(t)=-\infty$. This is a contradiction, since $z^{\prime \prime}(t)$ is positively decreasing.
If (b) holds, that is $z(t)>0, z^{\prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{3} \geq t_{2}$, then $x(t) \geq z(t)$. By (1.1), we obtain

$$
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) \leq-\int_{0}^{t} z(t-s) d r(t, s) \leq-z(0) g(t) \leq-z\left(t_{3}\right) g(t), \quad t_{3} \geq 0
$$

By integrating the last inequality from $t_{3}$ to $t$, it follows that

$$
z^{\prime \prime}(t)-z^{\prime \prime}\left(t_{3}\right) \leq-z\left(t_{3}\right) \int_{t_{3}}^{t} g(s) d s
$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, the last inequality implies that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z^{\prime \prime}(t)=\infty$, which is a contradiction.
Finally if (b) holds, then we have $z(t)<0, z^{\prime}(t)<0, z^{\prime \prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{3}$.
By substituting (2.5) in eq.(1.1), we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) & \leq \int_{0}^{t} \frac{z\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)} d r(t, s), \\
& \leq z\left(\tau^{-1}(t)\right) \int_{t_{3}}^{t} \frac{1}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(t-s)\right)} d r(t, s) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Integrating the last inequality from $t_{3}$ to $t$ yields

$$
z^{\prime \prime}(t)-z^{\prime \prime}\left(t_{3}\right) \leq z\left(\tau^{-1}\left(t_{3}\right)\right) \int_{t_{3}}^{t} \int_{t_{3}}^{v} \frac{1}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(v-s)\right)} d r(v, s) d v .
$$

As $t \rightarrow \infty$, it follows that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z^{\prime \prime}(t)=\infty$, which is a contradiction.
Theorem 2.4. Assume that (H1) - (H3) hold, $p(t) \geq 1, \tau(t) \geq t$ and (2.1), (2.2) hold, then every bounded solution of eq.(1.1) oscillates on $\left[t_{0}, \infty\right)$.
Proof. Suppose that $x(t)$ is an eventually positive bounded solution of eq.(1.1), then $z^{\prime \prime \prime}(t) \leq 0, t \geq t_{0}$ and $z^{\prime \prime}(t), z^{\prime}(t), z(t)$ are monotone functions. If $z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$ then $z^{\prime}(t)<0, z(t)<0$ and $z(t) \rightarrow-\infty$, implies that $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t)=\infty$. This is a contradiction, since $x(t)$ is bounded. If $z^{\prime \prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{1} \geq t_{0}$, we claim that $z^{\prime}(t)<0$, for $t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$. Otherwise, if $z^{\prime}(t)>0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$ then $z(t)>0$ and $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t)=\infty$. implies $\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t)=\infty$, which is a contradiction.
Hence, $z^{\prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{2} \geq t_{1}$, and there are two possibilities to investigate:
(a) $z(t)>0, z^{\prime}(t)>0, z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq t_{3} \geq t_{2}$; (b) $z(t)<0, z^{\prime}(t)>0, z^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, t \geq$ $t_{3} \geq t_{2}$. Proof of cases (a) and (b) is similar to cases (2)-(a) and (2)-(b) in theorem 3.

## 3. Applications

In this section, some examples are given to illustrate the obtained results.
Example 3.1. Consider the neutral integro-differential equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
[x(t)-2 x(t+\pi)]^{\prime \prime \prime}-\int_{0}^{t} x(t-s) d r(t, s)=0, \quad t_{0} \geq 0 \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $p(t)=2, r(t, s)=3(t+s), \tau(t)=t+\pi, g(t)=3(t+t)-3 t=3 t$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\limsup \int_{t \rightarrow \infty}^{t} g(v) d v=3 \lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{0}^{t} v d v=\infty \\
\limsup _{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{T}^{t} \int_{T}^{v} \frac{d r(v, s)}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(v-s)\right)} d v=\frac{3}{2} \lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{T}^{t}(v-T) d s=\infty, \quad T \geq t_{0}
\end{gathered}
$$

All conditions of theorem 1 are met. Thus, according to theorem 1, every solution of (3.1) oscillates; for instance, $x(t)=\cos t$ is such a solution.
Example 3.2. Consider the neutral integro-differential equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left[x(t)-\frac{1}{4} x(t-\pi)\right]^{\prime \prime \prime}-\int_{0}^{t} x(t-s) d r(t, s)=0 \tag{*}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $p(t)=\frac{1}{4}, \quad r(t, s)=(t+s), \quad \tau(t)=t-\pi$. To verify that conditions (2.1) and (2.2) hold, we have

$$
\begin{gathered}
\limsup _{t \rightarrow \infty}^{t} g(v) d v=\lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{0}^{t} v d v=\infty \\
\limsup _{t \rightarrow \infty}^{t} \int_{T}^{t} \int_{T}^{v} \frac{d r(v, s)}{p\left(\tau^{-1}(v-s)\right)} d v=4 \lim _{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{T}^{t}(v-T) d s=\infty, \quad T \geq t_{0}
\end{gathered}
$$

According to theorem 2, every solution of (3.2) oscillates; for instance, $x(t)=\cos t$ is such a solution.

## Conclusions

In this paper, two types of neutral integrodifferential equations of third order were studied, where the integration is in the sense of Riemann-Stieltjes. Some necessary and sufficient conditions were obtained to ensure the oscillation of all solutions of these equations. The results included some illustrative examples.

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