

EXISTENCE OF WEAK SOLUTIONS FOR ABSTRACT HYPERBOLIC-PARABOLIC EQUATIONS

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ABSTRACT

In this paper we study the Existence and Uniqueness of solutions for the following Cauchy problem:

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 u''(t) + A_1 u'(t) + A(t)u(t) + M(u(t)) &= f(t), \quad t \in (0, T) \\ u(0) = u_0; A_2 u'(0) &= A_2^{\frac{1}{2}} u_1; \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where A_1 and A_2 are bounded linear operators in a Hilbert space H , $\{A(t)\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ is a family of self-adjoint operators, M is a non-linear map on H and f is a function from $(0, T)$ with values in H .

As an application of problem (1) we consider the following Cauchy problem:

$$\begin{aligned} k_2(x)u'' + k_1(x)u' + A(t)u + u^3 &= f(t) \text{ in } Q, \\ u(0) = u_0; k_2(x)u'(0) &= k_2(x)^{\frac{1}{2}}u_1 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where Q is a cylindrical domain in \mathbb{R}^4 ; k_1 and k_2 are bounded functions defined in an open bounded set $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$,

$$A(t) = - \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (a_{ij}(x, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i});$$

where a_{ij} and $a'_{ij} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} a_{ij}$ are bounded functions on Ω and f is a function from $(0, T)$ with values in $L^2(\Omega)$.

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INTRODUCTION

Let $T > 0$ be a positive real number and Ω be a bounded open set of \mathbb{R}^n , with smooth boundary Γ . In the cylinder $Q = \Omega \times (0, T)$, Bensoussan et al. [01], studied the homogeneization for the following Cauchy problem:

$$\begin{aligned} k_2(x)u'' + k_1(x)u' - \Delta u &= f \text{ in } Q. \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \text{ e } k_2(x)u'(x, 0) &= k^{\frac{1}{2}}2(x)u_1(x), \quad x \in \Omega \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Many authors have been investigating the existence of solution for non-linear equations associated with problem (3),

see: Larkin [04], Lima [05], Medeiros [07-09], Melo [10], Maciel [11], Neves [12] and Vagrov [15].

Other interesting results relative to existence of a solution for a non-linear equation associated with the equation of the problem (3) can be found in the work of J'orgens [03]

In this work he proved the existence of classical solution by iterative methods for the mixed problem associated to the equation

$$u_{tt} - \Delta u + F'(|u|^2)u = 0,$$

in open domain of \mathbb{R}^3 , with the hypothesis $F(0) = 0$ and $|F'(s)| \leq a[b + F(s)]^\alpha$ where a, b and α are positive constants with $\alpha < \frac{2}{3}$.

In Section 1, we establish some notation for the function spaces and conditions for $A_1, A_2, \{A(t)\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}, M$ and f in equation (1). In Section 2, we state our main results and we prove the assertions made. In the final Section we make an application of problem (1).

1. PRELIMINARIES

We will assume that standard function spaces are known: $C^k(\Omega), L^p(Q); H^k(\Omega), H_0^k(\Omega), C^k(0, T; X), L^p(0, T; X)$ where X is a Banach space.

Let H be a real Hilbert space, with inner product and the norm denoted by (\cdot, \cdot) and $|\cdot|$, respectively.

We consider here the following assumptions:

- i) $A_2 : H \rightarrow H$, a positive symmetric operator
- ii) $A_1 : H \rightarrow H$, a symmetric operator such that:

$$(A_1 u, u) \geq \beta |u|^2, \quad 0 < \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \text{for all } u \in H.$$

- iii) Let $\{A(t); t \geq 0\}$ be a family of self-adjoint linear operators of H , such that there exists a constant $\alpha > 0$, satisfying $(A(t)u, u) \geq \alpha |u|^2$ for all $u \in D(A(t))$, where we assume that the domain $D(A(t))$ of $A(t)$ is constant, i.e., $D(A(t)) = D(A(s)) \quad \forall t, s \geq 0$. It is known from the spectral theory for self-adjoint operators that there exists only one positive self-adjoint operator $A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)$ such that:

$$D(A(t)) \subseteq D(A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)).$$

From assumption iii) we have, see Medeiros [09], that $D(A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t))$ is constant.

Let $V_t = D(A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t))$ with inner product $((\cdot))$ and associated norm $\|\cdot\|_t$. Therefore $\|u\|_t^2 = |A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)u|^2 \geq \alpha |u|^2$.

So that, V_t is a Hilbert space, dense and embedded in $H(V_t \hookrightarrow H)$, and V_t is isomorphic with $V_0, \quad \forall t$.

- iv) $A(t)$ is continuously strongly differentiable.
- v) For $u \in D(A(0))$, we assume that there exists a real $\gamma > 0$, independent from t , such that:

$$(A'(t)u, u) \leq \gamma \|u\|_0^2, \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$$

- vi) We assume that the embedding $V_0 \hookrightarrow H$ is compact. Therefore, the spectrum of the operator $A(t)$ is discret.

Identifying H with his dual H' , we have the immersions:

$V_0 \hookrightarrow H \hookrightarrow V_0'$; where each space is dense on the following one.

In this work, we use the symbol $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, to denote the duality between V_0' and V_0 . Sometimes it means an application of a Vector distribution to a real test function.

vii) Let M be an operator of V_0 in H satisfying the following conditions:

a) M is monotone, hemi-continuous and bounded (in the sense of taking bounded sets of V_0 into bounded sets of H).

b) There exists a constant $\sigma > 0$ so that

$$\int_0^T (M(u(s)), u'(s))ds \geq -\sigma \forall t \in \{0, T\} \text{ and } \forall u \in E_C$$

where E_C denotes the set $\{u \in L^\infty(0, T; V_0); u' \in L^2(0, T; H) \text{ and } \|u(0)\|_0 \leq \bar{C}\}$

2.1 The Main Results

Theorem - 1: (Existence) Under the above assumptions (i-vii) and considering

$$f \in L^2(0, T; H) \tag{2.1}$$

$$u_0 \in V_0 \tag{2.2}$$

$$u_1 \in H, \tag{2.3}$$

then there exists a function u defined in $(0, T)$ with values in V_0 such that:

$$u \in L^\infty(0, T; V_0) \tag{2.4}$$

$$u' \in L^2(0, T; H), \tag{2.5}$$

besides this, u is a solution of problem (1) in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} & - \int_0^T (A_2 u'(t), \Phi(t)v)dt + \int_0^T (A_1 u'(t), \Phi(t)v)dt + \\ & + \int_0^T (A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)u(t), A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)\Phi(t)v)dt + \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

$$+ \int_0^T (M(u(t)), \Phi(t)v)dt = \int_0^T (f(t), \Phi(t)v)dt, \forall v \in V_0$$

and $\forall \Phi \in C_0^1(0, T)$.

$$u(0) = u_0 \tag{2.7}$$

$$A_2 u'(0) = A_2^{\frac{1}{2}} u_1. \tag{2.8}$$

For the uniqueness we need the following condition on M :

viii) Given $C > 0$, there exists $K > 0$, which depends on C , such that:

$$|M(u) - M(v)| \leq K|u - v|$$

for all $u, v \in V$ whenever $\|u\|_0 \leq C$ and $\|v\|_0 \leq C$.

Theorem - 2. (Uniqueness) Suppose that the operators $A_1, A_2, A(t)$ satisfy the conditions of Theorem-1 and (viii), respectively, and M maps functions of $L^\infty(0, T; V_0)$ into functions of $L^2(0, T; H)$. Then, there exists at most one function u in the class

$$u \in L^\infty(0, T; V_0), u' \in L^2(0, T; H),$$

and u is a solution of problem (1) in the sense (2.6) - (2.8) of Theorem-1.

Remark 2.1

From (2.4), (2.5) and (2.6) we obtain that $A_2 u'' \in L^2(0, T; V'_0)$ and this together with (2.4) (2.5) imply that the initial conditions (2.7) (2.8) make sense.

2.2 Proof of the Theorems

In this part we use the following result:

Lema 1. Let $u \in L^2(0, T; H)$, $u' \in L^2(0, T; V'_0)$ with v , and $v' \in L^2(0, T; V_0)$. Then

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle u, v \rangle = \langle u', v \rangle + \langle u, v' \rangle.$$

For the proof of this lemma see Tanabe, [13].

We apply the standard Galerking approximate procedure. Let (w_ν) be a base of $D(A(0))$ that it is a base of H , by density. From the assumption (i), we have $((A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} w_\nu)$ is also a base of H ; where $\lambda > 0$ is a constant. Let $V_m(0)$ be a subspace of $D(A(0))$ generated by the first- m vectors w_1, \dots, w_m , and $V_m^\lambda(0)$ the subspace generated by first- m vectors $(A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} w_1, \dots, (A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} w_m$.

We put $u_{\lambda m}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^m g_{i\lambda m}(t) w_i$ as a solution of the approximate perturbed problem:

$$\begin{aligned} ((A_2 + \lambda I)u''_{\lambda m}(t) + A_1 u'_{\lambda m}(t) + A(t)u_{\lambda m}(t) + (M(u_{\lambda m}(t)), v) = \\ = (f(t), v), \quad \forall v \in V_m(0). \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

$$u_{\lambda m}(0) = u_{0m}; \quad \text{where } u_{0m} = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_{im} w_i \rightarrow u_0 \tag{2.10}$$

strongly in V_0

$$u'_{\lambda m}(0) = u_{1\lambda m}; \quad \text{where } u_{1\lambda m} = \sum_{i=1}^m \beta_{i\lambda m} w_i \tag{2.11}$$

where the coefficient $\beta_{i\lambda m}$ denotes the coordinates of the vector $P_{\lambda m} u_1$, the orthogonal projection of the vector u_1 upon the subspace $V_m^\lambda(0)$ in relation to the base $((A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} w_\nu)$, such that:

$$P_{\lambda m} u_1 = \sum_{i=1}^m \beta_{i\lambda m} (A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} w_i.$$

We have that $P_{\lambda m} u_1 \rightarrow u_1$ strongly in H and satisfies

$$|P_{\lambda m} u_1| \leq |u_1| \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{N} \quad \forall \lambda > 0.$$

System (2.9) - (2.11) is equivalent to a system of non-linear ordinary differential equations, which has a solution $u_{\lambda m}(t)$ by using Caratheodory's theorem, see Coddington - Levinson [02]; defined in an interval $[0, t_m)$, with $t_m < T$, for each $m \in \mathbb{N}$.

2.3 - "A priori" Estimates

In (2.9) taking $v = 2u'_{\lambda m}(t)$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} |(A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} u'_{\lambda m}(t)|^2 + 2(A_1 u'_{\lambda m}(t), u'_{\lambda m}(t)) + \\ & + 2(A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) u_{\lambda m}(t), A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) u'_{\lambda m}(t)) + 2(M(u_{\lambda m}(t)), u'_{\lambda m}(t)) = \\ & = 2(f(t), u'_{\lambda m}(t)). \end{aligned}$$

Using the above assumptions, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} & |(A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} u'_{\lambda m}(t)|^2 + \beta \int_0^t |u'_{\lambda m}(s)|^2 ds + \|u_{\lambda m}(t)\|_t^2 \leq \\ & \leq 2\sigma + |P_{\lambda m} u_1|^2 + \|u_{0m}\|_0^2 + \int_0^t (A'(s) u_{\lambda m}(s), u_{\lambda m}(s)) ds + \\ & + \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^t |f(s)|^2 ds. \end{aligned}$$

From (2.1), (2.10) and (2.11), there exists a constant $C^{(*)}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & |(A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} u'_{\lambda m}(t)|^2 + \beta \int_0^t |u'_{\lambda m}(s)|^2 ds + \|u_{\lambda m}(t)\|_t^2 \leq C + \\ & + \int_0^t (A'(s) u_{\lambda m}(s), u_{\lambda m}(s)) ds. \end{aligned}$$

(*) Let us denote by C various constants.

It is not difficult to prove that the function $g(t) = \|u_{\lambda m}(t)\|_t^2$ is continuous. So that from Gronwall's inequality, from $V_t \cong V_0$, and from the assumption (v), we conclude that:

$$\|u_{\lambda m}(t)\|_0 \leq C \tag{2.12}$$

independently from $\lambda > 0$ $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and of $t \in [0, t_m)$. So that, we have

$$|(A_2 + \lambda I)^{\frac{1}{2}} u'_{\lambda m}(t)|^2 + \beta \int_0^t |u'_{\lambda m}(s)|^2 ds + \|u_{\lambda m}(t)\|_t^2 \leq C \tag{2.13}$$

independently from $\lambda > 0$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and of $t \in [0, t_m)$.

Therefore, from (2.12), (2.13) and by Carathéodory Theorem there exists a solution in all interval $[0, T]$.

So we obtain the following estimates:

$$\|u_{\lambda m}\|_{L^\infty(0,T;V_0)} \leq C, \quad \forall \lambda > 0, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{2.14}$$

$$\|u'_{\lambda m}\|_{L^2(0,T;H)} \leq C, \quad \forall \lambda > 0, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{2.15}$$

Where C is a constant independent of $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lambda > 0$. From the estimate (2.14) and noting that M is bounded it follows that

$$\|M(u_{\lambda m})\|_{L^\infty(0,T;H)} \leq C, \quad \forall \lambda > 0, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{2.16}$$

The estimates (2.14) - (2.16), imply that there exists a subsequence of $(u_{\lambda m})$, still denoted by $(u_{\lambda m})$, and a function u_λ such that

$$u_{\lambda m} \rightarrow u_\lambda \quad \text{weak-star in } L^\infty(0, T; V_0). \tag{2.17}$$

$$u'_{\lambda m} \rightarrow u'_\lambda \quad \text{weak in } L^2(0, T; H) \tag{2.18}$$

$$A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)u_{\lambda m} \rightarrow A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)u_{\lambda} \text{ weak-star in } L^{\infty}(0, T; H) \tag{2.19}$$

$$(A_2 + \lambda I)u'_{\lambda m} \rightarrow (A_2 + \lambda I)u'_{\lambda} \text{ weak in } L^2(0, T; H) \tag{2.20}$$

$$A_1u'_{\lambda m} \rightarrow A_1u'_{\lambda} \text{ weak in } L^2(0, T; H) \tag{2.21}$$

$$M(u'_{\lambda m}) \rightarrow \chi \text{ weak-star in } L^{\infty}(0, T; H) \tag{2.22}$$

The fact that $A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)$; A_1 and A_2 are weakly closed operators of $L^2(0, T; H)$ was used in (2.19), (2.20) and (2.21).

2.4 - The Nonlinear Term

Since $H \hookrightarrow V'_0$ continuously, it follows from (2.15) that:

$$\|u'_{\lambda m}\|_{L^2(0, T; V'_0)} \leq C, \text{ independently of } \lambda > 0 \text{ and } m \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{2.23}$$

From (2.4), (2.23) and by the compact embedding from V_0 in H , it follows from the Lemma of Aubin-Lions, see Lions [06], that:

$$u_{\lambda m} \rightarrow u_{\lambda} \text{ strong in } L^2(0, T; H). \tag{2.24}$$

For $v \in L^2(0, T; V)$ and $\Theta > 0$ a real number, by the monotonicity of M we have:

$$\int_0^T (M(u_{\lambda} + \Theta v) - M(u_{\lambda m}), u_{\lambda} + \Theta v - u_{\lambda m})dt \geq 0.$$

From this inequality, taking the limit $m \rightarrow \infty$ and using the convergences (2.22) and (2.24) we get:

$$\int_0^T (M(u_{\lambda} + \Theta v) - \chi, v)dt \geq 0, \quad \forall v \in L^2(0, T; V).$$

It follows, by the hemicontinuity of M , that,

$$M(u_{\lambda}) = \chi. \tag{2.25}$$

By multiplying both sides of (2.9) by $\Phi \in C^{\infty}_0(0, T)$, integrating from $t = 0$ to $t = T$, passing to the limit and using the convergences (2.19) - (2.22) we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} & - \int_0^T ((A_2 + \lambda I)u'_{\lambda}, \Phi'v)dt + \int_0^T (A_1u'_{\lambda}, \Phi v)dt + \\ & + \int_0^T (A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)u_{\lambda}, A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)\Phi v)dt + \int_0^T (M(u_{\lambda}), \Phi v)dt = \\ & = \int_0^T (f, \Phi v)dt, \quad \forall \Phi \in C^{\infty}_0(0, T), \quad \forall v \in V. \end{aligned} \tag{2.26}$$

Since the linear combinations of w_1, \dots, w_m are dense in $D(A(0))$, it follows that the above equality, remains valid for all $v \in D(A(0))$ and for all $\Phi \in C^{\infty}_0(0, T)$ also. So that, u_{λ} is a solution of the perturbed problem in the sense given in (2.6).

From this we have that

$$((A_2 + \lambda I)u'_{\lambda})' = -A_1u'_{\lambda} - A(t)u_{\lambda} - M(u_{\lambda}) + f \in L^2(0, T; V'_0). \tag{2.27}$$

Noticing that the estimates (2.14) - (2.16) are independent of $\lambda > 0$, we obtain the same convergences (2.17) - (2.22) and also the equality (2.25) replacing $u_{\lambda m}$ by u_{λ} by and u_{λ} by u .

By the above arguments, taking the limit in (2.26) we have that u satisfies (2.4)-(2.6).

From (2.6) we have,

$$(A_2u')' + A_1u' + A(t)u + M(u) = f \text{ in } L^2(0, T; V'_0). \tag{2.28}$$

$$(A_2u')' \in L^2(0, T; V'_0). \tag{2.29}$$

2.5 - The Inicial Conditions

The proof of the initial conditions (2.7) and (2.8) are obtained by the convergences (2.17), (2.18). Let $\Phi \in C^1([0, T])$ with $\Phi(0) = 1$, $\Phi(T) = 0$, and $v \in V_0$. Then by (2.17) and using Lemma 1, with $\Phi v \in V_0$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & - \langle (A_2 + \lambda I)u'_\lambda(0), v \rangle - \int_0^T ((A_2 + \lambda I)u'_\lambda, \Phi'v)dt + \\ & + \int_0^T (A_1u'_\lambda, \Phi v)dt + \int_0^T \langle A(t)u_\lambda, \Phi v \rangle dt + \\ & + \int_0^T (M(u_\lambda), \Phi v)dt = \int_0^T (f, \Phi v)dt. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit in the above equality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & - \langle A_2^{\frac{1}{2}}u_1, v \rangle - \int_0^T (A_2u', \Phi'v)dt + \int_0^T (A_1u', \Phi v)dt + \\ & + \int_0^T \langle A(t)u, \Phi v \rangle dt + \int_0^T (M(u), \Phi v)dt = \int_0^T (f, \Phi v)dt. \end{aligned} \tag{2.30}$$

Integrating by parts $-\int_0^T (A_2u'_\lambda, \Phi'v)dt$, observing (2.29) and using Lemma-1, we get from (2.28) and (2.30) that:

$$\langle A_2u'(0), v \rangle = \langle A_2^{\frac{1}{2}}u_1, v \rangle, \quad \forall v \in V.$$

From this it follows the proof of Theorem 1.

Remark 1. We obtain the same Theorem 1 by considering:

$$M : L^2(0, T; V_0) \rightarrow L^2(0, T; H)$$

pseudo-monotone and satisfying condition (vii) (see Lions, [06]).

3.- PROOF OF THEOREM 2

If u and v satisfy Theorem-1, then $w = u - v$ satisfies:

$$(A_2w')' + A_1w' + A(t)w + M(u) - M(v) = 0 \text{ in } L^2(0, T; V'_0). \tag{3.1}$$

$$w(0) = 0, \quad A_2w'(0) = 0. \tag{3.2}$$

We'll prove that $w = 0$ in $[0, T]$.

We observe that the solution $u'(t) \in H$ and $(A_2u')'(t) \in V'$. Therefore it doesn't make sense the duality between these vectors. In this case, we'll use the method introduced by Visik-Ladyzenskaja [14].

For each s with $0 < s < T$, we'll consider the function $z(t)$ given by:

$$z(t) = \begin{cases} - \int_t^s w(\xi)d\xi & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq s \\ 0 & \text{if } s < t \leq T \end{cases} \tag{3.3}$$

We have that $z(s) = 0$, $z'(t) = w(t)$ for $0 \leq t \leq s$ and $z(t) \in V_0$ for each $t \in [0, T]$.

Defining $w_1(t)$ by, $w_1(t) = \int_0^t w(\gamma)d\gamma$, we have $z(t) = w_1(t) - w_1(s)$, $0 \leq t \leq s$.

Taking the duality of (3.1) with (3.3) and integrating from $t = 0$ to $t = T$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^T \langle (A_2 w')', z \rangle dt + \int_0^T (A_1 w', z) dt + \int_0^T \langle A(t)w, z \rangle dt + \\ & + \int_0^T (M(u) - M(v), z) dt = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

We have that:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^T \langle (A_2 w')', z \rangle dt = -\frac{1}{2} (A_2 w(s), w(s)) \\ & \int_0^T (A_1 w', z) dt = -\int_0^s (A_1 w, w) dt. \\ & \int_0^T A^{\frac{1}{2}}(t)z dt = \\ & = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^s \frac{d}{dt} \|z(t)\|_t^2 dt - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^s (A'(t)z(t), z(t)) dt = \\ & = -\frac{1}{2} |A^{\frac{1}{2}}(0)w_1(s)|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^s (A'(t)z(t), z(t)) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the above equalities in (3.4) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} |A_2^{\frac{1}{2}} w(s)|^2 + \int_0^s (A_1 w, w) dt + \frac{1}{2} |A^{\frac{1}{2}}(0)w_1(s)|^2 = \\ & = \int_0^s (M(u) - M(v), z) dt - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^s (A'(t)z(t), z(t)) dt. \end{aligned}$$

By using hypotheses ii), iii), v), viii) in the above equality, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} |A_2^{\frac{1}{2}} w(s)|^2 + \beta \int_0^s |w(t)|^2 dt + \frac{\alpha}{2} |w_1(s)|^2 \leq \\ & \leq \int_0^s \mu |w(t)| |z(t)| dt + \frac{\gamma}{2} \int_0^s |z(t)|^2 dt \leq \int_0^s \mu |w(t)| |w_1(t)| dt \\ & + \int_0^s \mu |w(t)| |w_1(s)| dt + \frac{\gamma}{2} \int_0^s |z(t)|^2 dt. \end{aligned}$$

By applying the inequality $ab \leq \frac{\lambda a^2}{2} + \frac{b^2}{2\lambda}$, $\forall \lambda > 0$, in the above inequality one has:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\beta - \mu^2 \lambda) \int_0^s |w(t)|^2 dt + \left[\frac{\alpha}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{2\lambda} + \gamma \right) s \right] |w_1(s)|^2 \leq \\ & \left(\frac{1}{2\lambda} + \gamma \right) \int_0^s |w_1(t)|^2 dt, \quad \forall \lambda > 0 \text{ such that } \beta - \mu^2 \lambda > 0 \end{aligned}$$

and $\frac{\alpha}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{2\lambda} + \gamma \right) s > 0$. If we choose $\lambda > 0$ such that $\beta - \mu^2 \lambda = \frac{\beta}{2}$, that is, $\lambda = \frac{\beta}{2\mu^2}$ and s_0 such that $\frac{\alpha}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{2\lambda} + \gamma \right) s_0 = \frac{\alpha}{4}$, that is, $s_0 = \frac{\alpha \lambda}{2(1 + 2\lambda \gamma)}$, we obtain from the above equality:

$$\frac{\beta}{2} \int_0^s |w(t)|^2 dt + \frac{\alpha}{4} |w_1(s)|^2 \leq \left(\frac{\mu^2}{\beta} + \gamma \right) \int_0^s |w_1(t)|^2 dt \quad (3.5)$$

$\forall s \in [0, s_0]$. Gronwall's inequality implies that $w_1(s) = 0$ for all $s \in [0, s_0]$. Which implies $w_1(s) = 0 \quad \forall s \in [0, s_0]$, consequently $w(t) = 0$ for all $t \in [0, s_0]$.

Using the same argument in $[0, s_0]$ for the Cauchy problem:

$$\begin{cases} (A_2 w')' + A_1 w' + A(t)w + M(u) - M(v) = 0 \\ w(s_0) = 0, A_2 w'(s_0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

we obtain that $w(t) = 0$, for all $t \in [s_0, 2s_0]$.

After a finite number of steps we conclude $w(t) = 0$ in $[0, T]$ and the proof of the Theorem 2 is completed.

3. EXAMPLES

1) Let Ω be a regular bounded open subset of \mathbb{R}^n and $H = L^2(\Omega)$, $V = H_0^1(\Omega)$.

Let us define the functions $k_1, k_2 \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ such that $k_1(x) \geq \beta > 0$ a.e. and $k_2(x) \geq 0$ a.e. in Ω where β is a constant.

We define the operators A_1 and A_2 in $L^2(\Omega)$ by

$$(A_1 u)(x) = k_1(x)u(x), \quad (A_2 u)(x) = k_2(x)u(x)$$

and consider

$$A(t) = - \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (a_{ij}(x, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i})$$

being the domain of $A(t)$ the space $H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega)$ which is dense in $L^2(\Omega)$; where $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ and

$$a'_{ij} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} a_{ij} \in L^\infty(\Omega \times (0, T)), \quad \forall 1 \leq i, j \leq n.$$

Then $A(t)$ is a family of self-adjoint operators.

We also assume that:

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, t) \xi_i \xi_j \geq \gamma (|\xi_1|^2 + \dots + |\xi_n|^2);$$

$(x, t) \in Q$, $0 < \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$; then, by Poincaré-Friedrichs inequality implies that $(A(t)u, u) \geq \alpha|u|^2$, for all $u \in D = D(A(t))$ and for some constant $\alpha > 0$.

Noting that

$$|((A(t) - A(t_0))u, u)| \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n \int_{\Omega} |a_{ij}(x, t) - a_{ij}(x, t_0)| \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_j} dx,$$

being $a_{ij} \in L^\infty(Q)$, we have that there exists the $\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} (t - t_0)^{-1} (A(t)u - A(t_0)u)$ in norm of $L^2(\Omega)$.

Therefore $A(t)$ is continuously strongly differentiable.

Being $A'(t) = - \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (a'_{ij}(x, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i})$ with $a'_{ij} = a'_{ji} \in L^\infty(Q) \quad \forall 1 \leq i, j \leq n$, we have $|(A'(t)u, u)| \leq \text{supess}_Q |a'_{ij}(x, t)| \|u\|_{H_0^1}^2$; where we used Cauchy-Schwarz and Poincaré-Friedrichs inequalities. Then we obtain $(A'(t)u, u) \leq \gamma \|u\|^2$, where $\|\cdot\|$ denote the norm in $H_0^1(\Omega) \cap H^2(\Omega)$.

It is well known that $H_0^1(\Omega) \cap H^2(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^2(\Omega)$ compactly.

Let $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function defined by $F(s) = s^3$, and $M : H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$ a operator defined by $(Mu)(x) = F(u(x))$.

Due to the properties of F it follows that M is monotone, hemicontinuous bounded and

$$\int_0^t (M(u(s)), u'(s)) ds \geq -\sigma, \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$$

for all $u \in E_c$ where E_c is the set $\{u \in L^\infty(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega)), u' \in L^2(0, T; L^2(\Omega)) \text{ and } \|u(0)\| \leq C\}$. The constant σ depends on C .

Let us prove the two last properties. Being

$$\begin{aligned} |Mu|^2 &= \int_{\Omega} |(Mu)(x)|^2 dx = \int_{\Omega} |u^3(x)|^2 dx = \\ &= \int_{\Omega} |u(x)|^6 dx = \|u\|_{L^6(\Omega)}^6, \end{aligned}$$

it follows from Sobolev inequalities, $H_0^1(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^q(\Omega)$ with $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n}$ ($n \geq 3$). Therefore $H_0^1(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^6(\Omega)$ ($n = 3$) and, $|Mu|^2 \leq c\|u\|^6$. So that, M is bounded.

Let $g(\tau) = \int_0^\tau F(r) dr$. Then $g(\tau) \geq 0$, $\forall \tau \in \mathbb{R}$, and for $u \in E_c$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t (M(u(s)), u'(s)) ds &= \int_0^t \int_{\Omega} u^3(x, s) \frac{\partial u}{\partial s}(x, s) dx ds = \\ &= \int_0^t \int_{\Omega} F(u(x, s)) \frac{\partial u}{\partial s}(x, s) dx ds = \int_0^t \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial g}{\partial s}(u(x, s)) dx ds = \\ &= \int_{\Omega} g(u(x, t)) dx - \int_{\Omega} g(u(x, 0)) dx \geq - \int_{\Omega} g(u(x, 0)) dx = \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} \int_{\Omega} [u(x, 0)]^4 dx = -\frac{1}{4} \int_{\Omega} |u(x, 0)| |u(x, 0)|^3 dx \geq \\ &\geq - \left[\int_{\Omega} |u(x, 0)|^2 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left[\int_{\Omega} |u(x, 0)|^6 dx \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq -\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore one has studied the existence and uniqueness of solutions of the mixed problem for the equation

$$k_2(x)u'' + k_1(x)u' + A(t)u + u^3 = f.$$

2) In the same scheme we have analogous results for the equations

$$k_2(x)u'' + k_1(x)u' + A(t)u + M(u) = f$$

where $(Mu)(x) = F(u(x))$ here $F(s)$ is defined by

$$F(s) = \begin{cases} \text{sign}(s) \frac{s^2}{1+s^2} & \text{if } s \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } s = 0 \end{cases}$$

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