

# LOCAL SOLVABILITY OF FULLY NONLINEAR PARABOLIC PROBLEMS OF HIGHER ORDER

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The paper is devoted to reduction of fully nonlinear parabolic problems of high order to operator equations involving operator satisfying  $(S_+)$  condition. The topological methods could be used to investigate solvability of such operator equations. The theorems of uniqueness and local existence for solution of boundary value problem, proved by topological approach are formulated in the paper. The results formulated are generalizations of analogous facts proved in [1].

Let  $n \geq 2$ ,  $m$ ,  $\{m_j\}_{j=1}^m$  be positive integers,  $0 \leq m_j \leq 2m - 1$ ,  $j = \overline{1, m}$  and  $T > 0$ ,  $p \geq 2$  be real numbers. For bounded domain  $\Omega \in R^n$  with boundary  $\partial\Omega$  we denote  $Q_T := \Omega \times (0, T)$ ,  $S_T := \partial\Omega \times (0, T)$  and consider the following boundary value problem:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - F(x, t, u, D^1 u, \dots, D^{2m} u) = f(x, t), \quad (x, t) \in Q_T, \quad (1)$$

$$G_j(x, t, u, \dots, D^{m_j} u) = g_j(x, t), \quad (x, t) \in S_T, \quad j = \overline{1, m}, \quad (2)$$

$$u \in W_p^{(4m, 2), 0}(Q_T). \quad (3)$$

Functions  $F$ ,  $G_j$  in problem (1) - (3) are supposed to be fully non-linear. Notification  $D^k u$  means all possible partial derivatives  $D^\alpha u$  of order  $k$  by variables  $x \in \Omega$  where  $\alpha$  is multiindice.

For positive integer  $k$  anisotropic space  $W_p^{(2mk, k)}(Q_T)$  is the Banach space of all real functions  $u(x, t)$  on  $Q_T$  that have generalized derivatives  $(\frac{\partial}{\partial t})^s D^\alpha u \in L_p(Q_T)$ , where  $|\alpha| + 2ms \leq 2mk$ , with the norm

$$\|u\|_{p, Q_T}^{(2mk, k)} := \left( \sum_{|\alpha| + 2ms \leq 2mk} \left\| \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D^\alpha u \right\|_{p, Q_T}^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

$$\|u\|_{p, Q_T} := \left( \int_{Q_T} |u(x, t)|^p dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

For the boundary  $\partial\Omega$  we assume the inclusion

$$\partial\Omega \in C^{4m} \quad (4)$$

is satisfied. In other words, it is possible to choose a finite collection  $\{U_i\}_{i=1}^I$  of open sets and  $d > 0$  with properties

$$S_1) \quad \partial\Omega \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^I U_i;$$

$S_2)$  for each  $i = 1 \dots I$  there exists  $\xi^{(i)} \in \partial\Omega \cap U_i$  such that in the local Cartesian coordinate system  $\{y\}$  with origin at  $\xi^{(i)}$  the set  $\partial\Omega \cap U_i$  is given by the equation

$$y_n = h_i(y'), \quad y' = (y_1, y_2 \dots y_{n-1}) \in D(d) := (-d, d)^{n-1};$$

$S_3)$  for each  $i = 1 \dots I$   $h_i \in C^{4m}(D(d))$ .

Let us denote by  $\phi_i(y)$  the transformation from the local coordinate system  $\{y\}$  to coordinate system  $\{x\}$  where  $i \in 1 \dots I$ . Then we can introduce the notations  $u^{(i)}(y', t) = u(\phi_i(y', h_i(y')), t)$ ,  $(y', t) \in D_T(d) := D(d) \times (0, T)$ ,  $i = \overline{1, I}$ .

For non-integer  $k > 0$  such that  $2mk$  is not integer too we define the space  $W_p^{(2mk, k)}(S_T)$  as the space of all real functions  $u(x, t)$  on  $S_T$  such that for every  $i = 1 \dots I$  the functions  $u^{(i)}(y', t)$  have generalized derivatives  $(\frac{\partial}{\partial t})^\alpha D_y^\alpha u^{(i)} \in L_p(S_T)$ ,  $|\alpha| + 2ms < 2mk$  (where  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{n-1})$  and  $D_y^\alpha$  means differentiation by variables  $y'$ ) and finite norm

$$\|u\|_{p, S_T}^{(2mk, k)} := \sum_{i=1}^I \|u^{(i)}\|_{p, D_T(d)}^{(2mk, k)},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|v\|_{p, D_T(d)}^{(2mk, k)} := & \left( \sum_{|\alpha| + 2ms < 2mk} \left\| \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^\alpha D_y^\alpha v \right\|_{p, D_T(d)}^p + \right. \\ & + \sum_{|\alpha| + 2ms = [2mk]} \int_0^T dt \int_{D(d)} \int_{D(d)} \frac{\left| \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^\alpha D_y^\alpha v(y', t) - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^\alpha D_y^\alpha v(z', t) \right|^p}{|y' - z'|^{(2mk - [2mk])p + n - 1}} dy' dz' + \\ & \left. + \sum_{0 < 2mk - |\alpha| - 2ms < 2m} \int_{D(d)} dy' \int_0^T \int_0^T \frac{\left| \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^\alpha D_y^\alpha u(y', t) - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \right)^\alpha D_y^\alpha u(y', \tau) \right|^p}{|t - \tau|^{\frac{2mk - |\alpha| - 2ms}{2m} p + 1}} dt d\tau \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \end{aligned}$$

It's not difficult to show that norms of the space  $W_p^{(2mk, k)}(S_T)$  corresponding to different covers  $\{U_i\}$  are actually equivalent.

We define  $W_p^{(2mk, k), 0}(Q_T)$  as the subspace of  $W_p^{(2mk, k), 0}(Q_T)$  consisting of all functions  $u$ , which satisfy zero initial conditions

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^l}{\partial t^l} u(x, t) = 0, \quad x \in \Omega \quad 0 \leq l \leq k - \frac{1}{p}.$$

The spaces  $W_p^{(2mk, k), 0}(S_T)$  are defined analogously.

We'll assume that numbers  $n, m, \{m_j\}_{j=1}^m, p$  satisfy inequalities

$$p > \frac{2m + n}{2m}, \quad p \neq \frac{2m + 1}{2m - m_j}, \quad j = \overline{1, m} \quad (5)$$

and the following inclusions for functions on the right side of the problem hold

$$f \in W_p^{(2m,1),0}(Q_T), \quad g_j \in W_p^{(4m-m_j-1, 2-\frac{m_j}{2m}-\frac{1}{2mp}),0}(S_T), \quad j = \overline{1, m}. \quad (6)$$

Let us define  $M(k)$  to be an amount of all different multiindices  $\alpha$  such that  $|\alpha| \leq k$ . We'll use the following notations:

$$F_\alpha(x, t, \xi) := \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_\alpha} F(x, t, \xi), \quad \xi = \{\xi_\alpha \in R : |\alpha| \leq 2m\} \in R^{M(2m)},$$

$$G_{j\beta}(x, t, \zeta) := \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta_\beta} G_j(x, t, \zeta), \quad \zeta = \{\zeta_\beta \in R : |\beta| \leq m_j\} \in R^{M(m_j)}, \quad j = \overline{1, m}$$

We assume that functions on the left side of the problem (1) - (3) satisfy the following conditions:

F1) Function  $F(x, t, \xi)$  has all continuous partial derivatives by  $\xi_\alpha$  up to the order  $2m + 1$ ,  $F(\cdot, \cdot, 0) \equiv 0$ ;

F2) There exists such  $\nu \in C(\overline{R^+}, R^+)$  that for each  $\xi \in R^{M(2m)}, \eta \in R^n$  the inequality

$$(-1)^{m+1} \sum_{|\alpha|=2m} F_\alpha(x, t, \xi) \eta^\alpha \geq \nu(|\xi|) |\eta|^{2m};$$

holds;

F3) Operators

$$\tilde{F}_\alpha(u) := F_\alpha(\cdot, \cdot, u, D^1 u, \dots, D^{2m} u) : W_p^{(4m,2),0}(Q_T) \rightarrow W_p^{(2m,1)}(Q_T)$$

are bounded and continuous;

G1) For each  $j = 1 \dots m$  function  $G_j(x, t, \zeta)$  has all continuous partial derivatives by  $\zeta_\beta$  up to the order  $4m - m_j + 1$ ,  $G_j(\cdot, \cdot, 0) \equiv 0$ ;

Let  $x \in \partial\Omega$ ,  $t \in (0, T)$ ,  $\xi \in R^{M(2m)}$ ,  $\zeta = \{\xi_\alpha : |\alpha| \leq m_j\}$ ,  $\eta$  be the unit vector in the direction of outward normal to  $\partial\Omega$  at point  $x$  and  $\delta$  belong to tangent plane to  $\partial\Omega$  at point  $x$ . For complex  $\tau$  and real  $q$  we define

$$L(x, t, \xi, \delta + \tau\eta, q) := q - (-1)^m \sum_{|\alpha|=2m} F_\alpha(x, t, \xi) (\delta + \tau\eta)^\alpha,$$

$$B_j(x, t, \zeta, \delta + \tau\eta) := \sum_{|\beta|=m_j} G_{j\beta}(x, t, \zeta) (\delta + \tau\eta)^\beta, \quad j = \overline{1, m}.$$

If  $q \geq -\bar{\nu}|\delta|^{2m}$ ,  $0 < \bar{\nu} < \nu(|\xi|)$  and  $|q| + |\delta| > 0$ , then  $L(x, t, \xi, \delta + \tau\eta, q)$  has  $m$  roots  $\tau_s^+$  with positive real parts as polinomial of  $\tau$  (the other roots are with negative real parts) [3]. Let

$$L^+(x, t, \xi, \delta, \tau, q) := \prod_{s=1}^m (\tau - \tau_s^+).$$

We assume that the following condition is satisfied (Lopatinsky condition):

G2) For each  $(x, t) \in S_T$ ,  $\xi \in R^{M(2m)}$  and  $\delta$ , from the tangent plane to  $\partial\Omega$  at point  $x$  polynomials  $B_j$  of  $\tau$  are linear independent by the module of polynomial  $L^+$  of  $\tau$  provided that inequalities  $q \geq -\bar{\nu}|\delta|^{2m}$ ,  $0 < \bar{\nu} < \nu(|\xi|)$  hold;

G3) Operators

$$\tilde{G}_{j\beta}(u) := G_{j\beta}(\cdot, \cdot, u, \dots, D^{m_j} u) : W_p^{(4m-\frac{1}{p}, 2-\frac{1}{2m_p}), 0}(S_T) \rightarrow W_p^{(4m-m_j-\frac{1}{p}, 2-\frac{m_j}{2m}-\frac{1}{2m_p})(S_T)}$$

are bounded and continuous;

We also assume that compatibility conditions for problem (1) - (3) are satisfied. It means that

C) For each  $j = 1, \dots, m$   $g_j(x, 0) = 0$  and the equality

$$\sum_{|\beta| \leq m_j} G_{j\beta}(x, 0, 0) D^\beta f(x, 0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} g_j(x, t),$$

is fulfilled for such  $j$  that  $p > \frac{2m+1}{2m-m_j}$ .

Now we start with reduction of the boundary value problem (1) - (3) to operator equation. To this end we define auxiliary operators

$$L(u)\phi := \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 2m} F_\alpha(x, t, u, D^1 u, \dots, D^{2m} u) D^\alpha \phi, \quad (x, t) \in Q_T,$$

$$B_j(u)\phi := \sum_{|\beta| \leq m_j} G_{j\beta}(x, t, u, \dots, D^{m_j} u) D^\beta \phi, \quad (x, t) \in S_T, \quad j = \overline{1, m}$$

for  $\{u, \phi\} \subset W_p^{(4m, 2), 0}(Q_T)$ .

Let  $\psi_p[s] := s|s|^{p-2}$  and  $\mu_j := 4m - m_j - 1$ . Operator  $A : W_p^{(4m, 2), 0}(Q_T) \rightarrow [W_p^{(4m, 2), 0}(Q_T)]^*$  corresponding to problem (1) - (3) will be defined by the following equalities:

$$\begin{aligned} Au := & A_E \left( u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - F(x, t, u, D^1 u, \dots, D^{2m} u) - f(x, t) \right) + \\ & + \sum_{j=1}^m A_{B_j} (u, G_j(x, t, u, \dots, D^{m_j} u) - g_j(x, t)), \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A_E(u, v), \phi \rangle := & \sum_{|\alpha|+2m_s \leq 2m} \int_{Q_T} \psi_p \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D^\alpha v(x, t) \right] \cdot \\ & \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D^\alpha \left[ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} - L(u)\phi(x, t) \right] dx dt, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

and for fixed  $j \in 1, \dots, m$

$$\langle A_{B_j}(u, w), \phi \rangle := \sum_{k=1}^3 \langle A_{B_j}^{(k)}(u, w), \phi \rangle, \quad (9)$$

$$\langle A_{B_j}^{(1)}(u, w), \phi \rangle := \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{|\beta|+2ms \leq \mu(j)} \int_{D_T(d)} \cdot \psi_p \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D_{y'}^\beta w^{(i)}(y', t) \right] \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D_{y'}^\beta [B_j(u)\phi]^{(i)}(y', t) dy' dt, \quad (10)$$

$$\langle A_{B_j}^{(2)}(u, w), \phi \rangle := \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{|\beta|+2ms = \mu(j)} \int_0^T dt \int \int_{[D(d)]^2} \cdot \psi_p \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D_{y'}^\beta w^{(i)}(y', t) - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D_{z'}^\beta w^{(i)}(z', t) \right] \cdot \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D_{y'}^\beta [B_j(u)\phi]^{(i)}(y', t) - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D_{z'}^\beta [B_j(u)\phi]^{(i)}(z', t) \right\} \cdot \frac{dy' dz'}{|y' - z'|^{n+p-2}}, \quad (11)$$

$$\langle A_{B_j}^{(3)}(u, w), \phi \rangle := \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{l=2m-m_j}^{\mu(j)} \sum_{|\beta|+2ms=l} \int_{D(d)} dy' \cdot \int_0^T \int_0^T \psi_p \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D_{y'}^\beta w^{(i)}(y', t) - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \right)^s D_{y'}^\beta w^{(i)}(y', \tau) \right] \cdot \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^s D_{y'}^\beta [B_j(u)\phi]^{(i)}(y', t) - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \right)^s D_{y'}^\beta [B_j(u)\phi]^{(i)}(y', \tau) \right\} \frac{dt d\tau}{|t - \tau|^{p(l)}}, \quad (12)$$

where  $p(l) = 1 + (2 - \frac{m_j+l}{2m} - \frac{1}{2mp})p$ ,  $l = \overline{2m - m_j, \mu(j)}$ .

The following theorem tells us about properties of operator, defined by formulas (7)–(12).

**THEOREM 1.** *Assume that conditions (4)–(6), F1)–F3), G1)–G3) and C) are satisfied. Then*

- (1) *Operator A, defined by (7)–(12), acts from the space  $W_p^{(4m,2),0}(Q_T)$  to adjoint one;*
- (2) *For  $p \geq 2$  operator A is bounded, continuous and satisfies  $(S_+)$  condition on  $W_p^{(4m,2),0}(Q_T)$ .*

According to [2], the definition of  $(S_+)$  condition is the following:

$(S_+)$  CONDITION. Let  $X$  be reflexive Banach space and  $H : X \rightarrow X^*$ . We say that  $H$  satisfies  $(S_+)$  condition on  $X$ , if for each sequence  $\{u_k\}_{k=1}^\infty \subset X$ , from the  $u_k \rightarrow u_0 \in X$ ,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle Hu_k, u_k - u_0 \rangle \leq 0$  it follows that  $u_k \rightarrow u_0$ .

We can investigate the operator equation

$$Au = 0, \quad u \in W_p^{(4m,2),0}(Q_T) \quad (13)$$

together with problem (1) – (3). Next theorem tells us about the connection between problem (1) – (3) and equation (13).

**THEOREM 2.** *Assume that conditions of theorem 1 are satisfied. Then function  $u$  is the solution of the problem (1)–(3) if and only if it is the solution of the equation (13).*

Now we can investigate equation (13) instead of the problem (1) – (3). On this way we can use topological methods, developed in [1]. As a result, the following uniqueness and local existence theorems for the problem (1) – (3) are proved:

**THEOREM 3.** *Assume that conditions of theorem 1 are satisfied. Then the problem (1)–(3) can have at most one solution.*

**THEOREM 4.** *Assume that conditions of theorem 1 are satisfied and  $p \geq 2$ . Then for every  $K > 0$  there exists  $\tau > 0$  dependent only on  $K, \Omega, F, G_j$  such that there exists a solution  $u \in W_p^{(4m,2),0}(Q_\tau)$  of the problem (1)–(3) in cylinder  $Q_\tau$  provided that the inequalities*

$$\|f\|_{p,Q_\tau}^{(2m,1)} \leq K, \quad \|g_j\|_{p,S_\tau}^{(4m-m_j-\frac{1}{p}, 2-\frac{m_j}{2m}-\frac{1}{2mp})} \leq K$$

*hold.*

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