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**THE INVERSE BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM FOR A THIRD ORDER
PSEUDOPARABOLIC EQUATION WITH NON-LOCAL BOUNDARY
CONDITION**

Abstract

The inverse non-selfadjoint boundary value problem is investigated for third order linear pseudo-parabolic equations with non-local boundary conditions.

On the domain $Q = \{0 < x < 1, 0 < t < T\}$ we consider the following inverse problem:

$$u_t - a(t)u_{xx} - bu_{xxt} + c(t)u = F(x,t), \quad (x,t) \in Q, \quad (1)$$

$$u(x,0) = \varphi(x), \quad x \in [0,1], \quad (2)$$

$$u(0,t) = 0, \quad u_x(0,t) = u_x(1,t), \quad t \in [0,T], \quad (3)$$

$$\beta u(1,t) + \int_0^1 u(x,t) dx = h(t), \quad t \in [0,T], \quad (4)$$

here $c(t), h(t), \varphi(x)$ and $F(x,t)$ are given functions, $b > 0$ and β given numbers, and functions $u(x,t)$ and $a(t) > 0$ are to be defined. The inverse scattering problems were considered in papers [1], [3], [4] and others.

Under the solution of the inverse scattering problem (1)-(4) we understand a pair of functions $\{u(x,t), a(t)\}$ satisfying the following conditions:

- 1) The functions $u(x,t), u_t, u_{xx}, u_{xxt}$ are continuous on \bar{Q} ;
- 2) The function $a(t)$ is continuous and positive on $[0,T]$;
- 3) The equation (1) and all conditions of (2)-(4) are fulfilled in the ordinary sense.

To investigate the problems (2)-(4) we need some auxiliary facts from the spectral theory of differentiable equations (see [5]).

Here we cite these facts.

Consider the following Sturm-Liouville problem:

$$X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad (5)$$

$$X(0) = 0, \quad X'(0) = X'(1). \quad (6)$$

It is easy to find eigen values and eigen functions of the problems (5). They will have the following form:

$$\lambda_k = (2\pi k)^2, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (7)$$

$$\bar{X}_0(x) = x, \quad \bar{X}_k(x) = \sin 2\pi kx, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (8)$$

The system $\{\bar{X}_k(x)\}$ doesn't form a basis in $L_2(0,1)$.

Now define the adjoint functions of the system $\{\bar{X}_k(x)\}$. They are defined as the solutions of the problem

$$X_k''(x) + (2\pi k)^2 X_k(x) = -4\pi k X_{k-1}(x), \quad (9)$$

$$X_k(0) = 0, \quad X_k'(0) = X_k(1) \quad (10)$$

and are of the form:

$$\bar{\bar{X}}_k(x) = x \cos 2\pi kx, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (11)$$

This system also doesn't form a basis in $L_2(0,1)$.

Make a new system

$$X_0(x) = x, \quad X_{2k-1}(x) = x \cos 2\pi kx, \quad X_{2k}(x) = \sin 2\pi kx \quad (12)$$

The system (12) forms basis in $L_2(0,1)$ (see [2]).

The eigen values and eigen functions of the corresponding adjoint problem (5), (6)

$$Y''(x) + \lambda Y(x) = 0, \quad (13)$$

$$Y(0) = Y(1), \quad Y'(1) = 0 \quad (14)$$

have the form:

$$\lambda_k = (2\pi k)^2, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (15)$$

$$\bar{Y}_0(x) = 2, \quad \bar{Y}_k(x) = 4 \cos 2\pi kx, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (16)$$

We obtain the corresponding adjoint functions of the system (16) in the form

$$\bar{Y}_k(x) = 4(1-x) \sin 2\pi kx, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (17)$$

They are found as the solutions of the problem

$$Y_k'' + (2\pi k)^2 Y_k(x) = -4\pi k \bar{Y}_{k-1}(x), \quad (18)$$

$$Y_k(0) = Y_k(1), \quad Y_k'(1) = 0. \quad (19)$$

By means of the systems (16) and (17) we form a new system

$$Y_0(x) = 2, \quad Y_{2k-1}(x) = 4 \cos 2\pi kx, \quad Y_{2k}(x) = 4(1-x) \sin 2\pi kx. \quad (20)$$

The systems (12) and (20) form a biorthogonal system such that

$$(X_i, Y_j) = \int_0^1 X_i(x) Y_j(x) dx = \delta_{ij}, \quad i, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (21)$$

where δ_{ij} is Kronecker's symbol.

Theorem. Let

1) $\varphi(x) \in C^{(2)}([0, T])$, $\varphi''(s) \in L_2(0,1)$, $\varphi(0) = \varphi''(0) = 0$, $\varphi'(0) = \varphi'(1)$

$$\varphi_k = \int_0^1 \varphi(x) Y_k(x) dx \geq 0 \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

and there exists at least one entire number k_0 , such that $\varphi_{2k_0-1} > 0$;

2) $h(t) \in C^{(1)}([0, T])$ and $h(t) \leq 0$, $h'(t) \leq 0$, $c(t) \in C([0, T])$, $c(t) \geq 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$;

3) $F(x, t) \in C(\bar{Q})$, $F(x, \cdot) \in C^{(2)}([0, T])$, $F''(x, \cdot) \in L_2(0,1)$

$$F(0, t) = F_{xx}(0, t), \quad F_x(0, t) = F_x(1, t),$$

$$F_k(t) = \int_0^1 F(x, t) \varphi_k(x) dx \geq 0 \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots);$$

4) $h(0) - \int_0^1 \varphi(x) dx - \beta \varphi_0 - \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varphi_{2k-1} = 0$, $b > 0$, $\beta > 0$

$$\Phi(t) = \int_0^1 F(x, t) dx + \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{(1 + b\lambda_k)^2} F_{2k-1}(t) - h'(t) - h(t)c(t) \geq \Phi_* > 0, \quad \forall t \in [0, T];$$

5) $\left\{ bc^* + \Phi^* e^{c^* T} \left[b \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1 + b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} \right]^{-1} \right\} T \leq 1$,

where by f^* and f_* we denote $\max_{\bar{Q}} |f(x, t)|$ and $\min_{\bar{Q}} |f(x, t)|$ respectively.

Then the inverse problem has unique solution $\{u(x, t), a(t)\}$.

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Proof. Construct the first component of the vector function $\{u(x,t), a(t)\}$.

Obviously, it has the form

$$u(x,t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u_k(t) X_k(x) \quad (22)$$

for each fixed t from $[0, T]$, where

$$u_k(t) = \int_0^1 u(x,t) \varphi_k(x) dx, \quad (k=0,1,2,\dots). \quad (23)$$

To find the unknowns $u_k(t)$ ($k=0,1,2,\dots$) we multiply the both sides of the equation (1) by $Y_k(x)$ and integral according to x from zero to unit. Then we obtain the following system of equations:

$$u_0'(t) + c(t)u_0(t) = F_0(t), \quad (24)$$

$$(1 + b\lambda_k)u_{2k-1}'(t) + [\lambda_k a(t) + c(t)]u_{2k-1}(t) = F_{2k-1}(t), \quad (25)$$

$$(1 + b\lambda_k)u_{2k}'(t) + [\lambda_k a(t) + c(t)]u_{2k}(t) = F_{2k}(t) - 4\pi k[u_{2k-1}(t) + u_{2k-1}'(t)]. \quad (26)$$

Solving these equations under initial conditions

$$u_k(0) = \varphi_k, \quad k=0,1,2,\dots, \quad (27)$$

we get

$$u_0(t) = \varphi_0 e^{-\int_0^t c(s) ds} + \int_0^t F_0(\tau) e^{-\int_{\tau}^t c(s) ds} d\tau, \quad (28)$$

$$u_{2k-1}(t) = \varphi_{2k-1} e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t (\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)) ds} + \frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t F_{2k-1}(\tau) e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_{\tau}^t (\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)) ds} d\tau, \quad (29)$$

$$u_{2k}(t) = \varphi_{2k} e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t (\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)) ds} + \frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t [F_{2k}(\tau) - 4\pi k(u_{2k-1}(\tau) + u_{2k-1}'(\tau))] e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_{\tau}^t (\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)) ds} d\tau. \quad (30)$$

It is easy to show that for any $a(t) \in C[0, T]$ the function

$$u(x,t) = u_0(t) X_0(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k-1}(t) X_{2k-1}(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k}(t) X_{2k}(x) \quad (31)$$

formally satisfies the equations (1), initial condition (2) and boundary conditions (3).

Now choose the function $a(t)$ so that complimentary condition (4) also be satisfied.

Integrating the both sides of (1) according to x from zero to unit, we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^1 u(x,t) dx + c(t) \int_0^1 u(x,t) dx = \int_0^1 F(x,t) dx. \quad (32)$$

To fulfill the condition (4), the equality

$$h(t)c(t) = \int_0^1 F(x,t) dx - h'(t) + \beta[c(t)u(1,t) + \beta u(1,t)]. \quad (33)$$

should hold.

As

$$u(1,t) = u_0(t) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k-1}(t), \quad (34)$$

then

$$h(t)c(t) = \int_0^1 F(x,t)dx - h'(t) + \beta [c(t)u_0(t) + u_0'(t)] + \beta \left[c(t) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k-1}(t) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k-1}'(t) \right]. \quad (35)$$

It is easy to see $c(t)u_0(t) + u_0'(t) = 0$. Therefore

$$h(t)c(t) = \int_0^1 F(x,t)dx - h'(t) + \beta \left[c(t) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k-1}(t) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k-1}'(t) \right]. \quad (36)$$

So, to determine a pair $\{u(x,t), a(t)\}$ we obtain a system of equations (31) and (36). Then substituting from (25) and (29) the values $u_{2k-1}'(t)$ and $u_{2k-1}(t)$ into (36) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h(t)c(t) = & \int_0^1 F(x,t)dx - h'(t) + \beta c(t) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varphi_{2k-1} e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t [\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)] ds} + \\ & + \beta c(t) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t F_{2k-1}(\tau) e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t [\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)] ds} d\tau + \\ & - \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\varphi_{2k-1}}{1+b\lambda_k} [\lambda_k a(t) + c(t)] e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t [\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)] ds} + \\ & + \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} F_{2k-1}(t) - \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k a(t) + c(t)}{(1+b\lambda_k)^2} \int_0^t F_{2k-1}(\tau) e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t [\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)] ds} d\tau. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Hence, to define the second component of the solution $\{u(x,t), a(t)\}$ we obtain a functional integral equation

$$\begin{aligned} a(t) = & \Phi(t)[P(a)]^{-1} + bc(t), \\ P(a) = & \beta \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t [\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)] ds} + \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{(1+b\lambda_k)^2} \int_0^t F_{2k-1}(\tau) e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^t [\lambda_k a(s) + c(s)] ds} d\tau \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

Let

$$\mathcal{F} = \{a(t) \in C([0, T]), a_* \leq a(t) \leq a^* \quad \forall t \in [0, T]\},$$

where $a^* = bc^* + \Phi^* e^{c^* T + 1} \left[\beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \right]^{-1}$

$$a_* = bc_* + \frac{\Phi_*}{\beta \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{(1+b\lambda_k)^2} \int_0^t F_{2k-1}(\tau) d\tau \right]}$$

Obviously $a_* < a^*$.

It is easy to see for each $a(t) \in \mathcal{F}$

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$$P(a) \leq \beta \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{(1+b\lambda_k)^2} \int_0^T F_{2k-1}(\tau) d\tau \right]$$

$$\text{and } P(a) \geq \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} [\lambda_k a^* T + T c^*]} \geq \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} e^{-\gamma a^* b^{-1}} e^{-T c^*} = \delta \dots$$

By denoting the right hand side of (38) by $B(a)$ we obtain an operator equation of the form

$$a(t) = B(a). \quad (39)$$

It is not difficult to see that $B(a) \in C([0, T])$ and

$$B(a) \leq bc_* + \frac{\Phi_* e^{a^* T b^{-1} + c^* T}}{\beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1}} \leq bc_* + \Phi_* C^{1+c^* T} \left[\beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} \right]^{-1} = a^*,$$

$$B(a) \leq bc_* + \Phi_* \left[\beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1+b\lambda_k)^2} \int_0^T F_{2k-1}(\tau) d\tau \right]^{-1} = a_*$$

consequently the operator $B(a)$ is defined in \mathcal{F} and transfers \mathcal{F} to \mathcal{F} .

For any $a_1(t)$ and $a_2(t)$ from \mathcal{F}

$$|B(a_1) - B(a_2)| \leq \delta^{-2} \Phi^* |P(a_1) - P(a_2)| \quad (40)$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} |P(a_1) - P(a_2)| &\leq \beta \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{1+b\lambda_k} \varphi_{2k-1} \left[e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^T [\lambda_k a_1(s) + c(s)] ds} - e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^T [\lambda_k a_2(s) + c(s)] ds} \right] \right| + \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{(1+b\lambda_k)^2} \int_0^T F_{2k-1}(\tau) \left| e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^T [\lambda_k a_1(s) + c(s)] ds} - e^{-\frac{1}{1+b\lambda_k} \int_0^T [\lambda_k a_2(s) + c(s)] ds} \right| d\tau \leq \\ &\leq \beta \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k}{(1+b\lambda_k)^2} \varphi_{2k-1} \int_0^T |a_1(s) - a_2(s)| ds + \right. \\ &\left. + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k^2}{(1+b\lambda_k)^3} \int_0^T F_{2k-1}(\tau) \int_{\tau}^T |a_1(s) - a_2(s)| ds \right] \leq \sigma \int_0^T |a_1(\tau) - a_2(\tau)| d\tau, \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

where

$$\sigma = \beta \left[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k^2}{(1+b\lambda_k)^2} \varphi_{2k-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_k^2}{(1+b\lambda_k)^3} \int_0^T F_{2k-1}(\tau) d\tau \right],$$

then

$$|B(a_1) - B(a_2)| \leq \delta^{-2} \Phi^* \sigma \int_0^T |a_1(\tau) - a_2(\tau)| d\tau.$$

Using mathematical induction method we can prove that for any integer m it holds the inequality

$$\|B^m(a_1) - B^m(a_2)\| \leq \frac{(\sigma T)^m}{m!} \|a_1 - a_2\|_{C([0, T])}. \quad (42)$$

where $\bar{\sigma} = \delta^{-2} \Phi^* \sigma$. B^m is m -th iteration of the operator B .

Choose the number m so sufficiently large that

$$q_m = \frac{(\bar{\sigma}T)^m}{m!} < 1.$$

From

$$\|P^m(a_1) - P^m(a_2)\|_{C[0,T]} \leq q_m \|a_1 - a_2\|_{C[0,T]} \quad (43)$$

It follows that B^m is a contracting operator in $C[0, T]$. Then according to the generalized principle on a fixed point, the operator $B^m(a)$ has a unique fixed point $\bar{a}(t)$ in $C([0, T])$ and this fixed point is a unique solution of the operator equation (39) and consequently of (38).

Then, substituting $\bar{a}(t)$ into the right hand side of (31) we find $\bar{u}(x, t)$.

We can directly show that by fulfilling the conditions of the theorem, $\bar{u}(x, t)$ satisfies the equation (1), initial condition (2) and boundary condition (3).

Show that a pair $\{\bar{u}(x, t), \bar{a}(t)\}$ satisfies the complementary condition (4).

Obviously this pair satisfies (32) and (33). Then

$$\left(\beta u(1, t) + \int_0^1 u(x, t) dx - h(t) \right)' + c(t) \left(\beta u(1, t) + \int_0^1 u(x, t) dx - h(t) \right) = 0.$$

Set

$$z(t) = \beta u(1, t) + \int_0^1 u(x, t) dx - h(t).$$

By the condition of the theorem

$$\begin{aligned} z(0) &= \beta u(1, 0) + \int_0^1 u(x, 0) dx - h(0) = \beta u_0(0) + \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_{2k-1}(0) + \int_0^1 u(x, 0) dx - h(0) = \\ &= \beta \varphi_0 + \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varphi_{2k-1} + \int_0^1 \varphi(x) dx - h(0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then we obtain the following Cauchy problem for $z(t)$:

$$z'(t) + c(t)z(t) = 0, \quad z(0) = 0.$$

Hence it follows that $z(t) \equiv 0$. Consequently and complementary condition (4) is also satisfied.

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