

**Remarks on existence of solutions for parametric  
optimization problems for partial differential  
equations of parabolic type**

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The problem of the existence of solutions for some optimal control problems for linear partial differential equations of parabolic type is considered. Control appears in coefficients of elliptic operator.

On the basis of some results concerning weak convergence of a sequence of weak solutions of parabolic equation some sufficient conditions for existence of an optimal control are obtained.

**1. Introduction**

In the paper we give sufficient conditions for existence of solutions to some parametric optimization problems for linear partial differential equations of parabolic type.

In these optimization problems coefficients of operator depend on control variables.

Such problems appear in stochastic optimization [15], in control of diffusion in semiconductor [7] and in identification of coefficients of parabolic equation [2].

The problem of existence of solutions was studied by Zollezzi [14] in the case, when control depends only on space variable. We start with notation.

Let  $\Omega$  be an open, bounded domain in  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space  $R^n$ . We assume, that boundary  $\Gamma$  of  $\Omega$  is an  $(n-1)$ -dimensional smooth manifold locally situated only on one side of  $\Omega$ .

For given  $T, 0 < T < \infty$  we define

$$Q = \Omega \times (0, T) \tag{1.1}$$

$$\Sigma = \Gamma \times (0, T) \tag{1.2}$$

Denote by  $\bar{\Omega}$  the closure of  $\Omega$ . Take  $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$  to be the standard space of infinitely differentiable functions with compact support in  $\Omega$ .

We use standard notation for Sobolev spaces [6] namely  $H^1(\Omega)$  is defined as follows:

$$H^1(\Omega) = \left\{ f \in L^2(\Omega) \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \in L^2(\Omega), i=1, \dots, n \right. \right\}. \quad (1.3)$$

It is well known, that  $H^1(\Omega)$  is a Hilbert space, with the norm:

$$\|f\|_1^2 = \int_{\Omega} (f(x))^2 dx + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\Omega} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 dx. \quad (1.4)$$

Let  $H_0^1(\Omega)$  denote the closure of  $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$  in  $H^1(\Omega)$ , and let  $V$  be a given linear closed subspace of  $H^1(\Omega)$  with topology induced by  $H^1(\Omega)$  such that

$$H_0^1(\Omega) \subset V \subset H^1(\Omega). \quad (1.5)$$

Whence

$$V \subset L^2(\Omega) \subset V' \quad (1.6)$$

where by  $V'$  we denote the dual space of  $V$ .

We will use the same notation for extension of the scalar product in  $L^2(\Omega)$ :  $(y, z) = \int_{\Omega} y(x) z(x) dx$  to the pair  $(V, V')$ .

For given Banach space  $B$ , by  $L^2(0, T, B)$  we denote the space of functions strongly measurable on  $(0, T)$  with values in  $B$ , square integrable on  $(0, T)$  with the norm:

$$\|f\|_{L^2(B)} = \int_0^T \|f(t)\|_B^2 dt. \quad (1.7)$$

By  $Y(0, T)$  we denote the following Hilbert space [4]

$$Y(0, T) = \left\{ y \in L^2(0, T, V) \left| \frac{dy}{dt} \in L^2(0, T, V') \right. \right\} \quad (1.8)$$

with the norm:

$$\|y\|_Y^2 = \|y\|_{L^2(V)}^2 + \left\| \frac{dy}{dt} \right\|_{L^2(V')}^2. \quad (1.9)$$

It is well known [6], that

$$Y(0, T) \subset C(0, T; L^2(\Omega)) \quad (1.10)$$

with continuous imbedding (1.10).

## 2. One dimensional parabolic equation

In the section we will consider functions  $y = y(x, t)$  of two variables  $x \in (0, 1)$ ,  $t \in (0, T)$ , that is  $\Omega = (0, 1)$ . For simplicity we use the following notation

$$y_t = \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}(x, t), \quad y_x = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}(x, t).$$

For given function  $f = f(x, t)$

$$|f| \leq M \text{ means } |f(x, t)| \leq M, \forall (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T).$$

Let there be given a functional:

$$I_1(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot): L^2(Q) \times L^2(\Omega) \times L^2(Q) \mapsto R \quad (2.1)$$

which is strongly continuous with respect to all variables. Consider the following optimization problem:

$$(P1) \text{ minimize } J(u) = I_1(A_1 y, A_2 y, u)$$

subject to:

(i)

$$|u|, |u_x|, |u_t| \leq M; \quad (2.2)$$

(ii) constraints in the form of parabolic equation:

$$-p(x, t, u) y_t - (a(x, t, u) y_x)_x + b(x, t, u) y_x + c(x, t, u) y = f(x, t, u) \quad (2.3)$$

with boundary conditions

$$y(0, t) = y(1, t) = 0 \quad (2.4)$$

and initial condition:

$$y(x, 0) = y_0(x) \quad (2.5)$$

(iii) with  $A_1 \in \mathcal{L}(Y(0, T); L^2(Q))$ ,

$$A_2 \in \mathcal{L}(Y(0, T); L^2(\Omega))$$

in the following form:

$$(A_1 y)(x, t) = y(x, t), (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T) \quad (2.6)$$

$$(A_2 y)(x) = y(x, \theta), x \in (0, 1) \quad (2.7)$$

where  $\theta \in (0, T]$  is given.

REMARK. For given control  $u = u(x, t)$ ,  $y = y(x, t)$  is the weak solution of the problem (2.3)–(2.5) that is:

$$\int_0^T \int_0^1 [(pz)_t y - ay_x z_x + by_x z + cyz - fz] dx dt + \int_0^1 p(x, 0, u) z(x, 0) y_0(x) dx = 0 \quad (2.8)$$

$\forall z \in C^\infty([0, 1] \times [0, T])$  such that

$$z(0, t) = z(1, t) = 0, t \in (0, T)$$

$$z(x, T) = 0, x \in (0, 1).$$

To assure existence and uniqueness of a solution to the system (2.3)–(2.5) we assume that the following conditions are satisfied.



$$(A1) \text{ (i) } p(x, t, r) \geq \alpha_0 > 0, \forall (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T) \\ a(x, t, r) \geq \alpha_1 > 0, \forall r \in (-M, M);$$

(ii)  $p(x, t, \cdot), a(x, t, \cdot), b(x, t, \cdot), c(x, t, \cdot), f(x, t, \cdot)$  are uniformly Lipschitz continuous on interval  $[-M, M]$  for almost every  $(x, t) \in Q$ ;

(iii)  $|p|, |p_t|, |a|, |b|, |c|, |f| \leq M$  a.e. in  $(0, 1) \times (0, T) \times (-M, M)$ , for sake of simplicity we write  $|p|$  instead of  $p(x, t, r)$ ;

$$(A2) \text{ (i) } |a_t|, |b_x| \leq M \text{ a.e. in } (0, 1) \times (0, T) \times (-M, M).$$

It can be shown [8], that under assumptions (2.2), (A1) there exists a solution to the problem (2.8) which is unique when we assume also condition (A2) to be satisfied. We recall the following result due to Markov and Olejnik [8] concerning convergence of sequence of solutions to the problem (2.8) with respect to the sequence of its coefficients. Let there be given a sequence of coefficients  $p_n(x, t), a_n(x, t), b_n(x, t), c_n(x, t), f_n(x, t)$  and some elements  $p_0, A, B, C_0, f_0$  such that the problem (2.11)–(2.13) has a unique weak solution, and we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_n &\rightarrow p_0 \\ \frac{1}{a_n} &\rightarrow \frac{1}{A} \\ \frac{b_n}{a_n} &\rightharpoonup B \text{ weakly in } L^2(Q) \\ c_n &\rightarrow c_0 \\ f_n &\rightarrow f_0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

then the corresponding sequence of solutions  $\{y_n\}$  to the problem (2.8) is convergent to some function  $\bar{y}$  in the following sense:

for every  $\delta > 0$

$$y_n(x, t) \rightarrow \bar{y}(x, t) \text{ uniformly on } (0, 1) \times (\delta, T) \quad (2.10)$$

where  $y$  is a weak solution of the following parabolic equation:

$$p_0 \bar{y}_t - (A \bar{y}_x)_x + B A \bar{y}_x + C_0 \bar{y} = f \quad (2.11)$$

$$\bar{y}(0, t) = \bar{y}(1, t) = 0 \quad (2.12)$$

$$\bar{y}(x, 0) = y_0 x. \quad (2.13)$$

In the sequel we will need the following lemmas:

LEMMA 1. Assume, that there is given function  $d = d(x, t, r)$  such that

$$(i) |d(x, t, r)| \leq M_1 \text{ a.e. in } (0, 1) \times (0, T) \times (-M, M)$$

(ii)  $d(x, t, \cdot)$  is uniformly Lipschitz continuous that is

$$|d(x, t, r_1) - d(x, t, r_2)| \leq L |r_1 - r_2| \text{ a.e. in } Q. \quad (2.14)$$

Let there be given a sequence

$$u_n = u_n(x, t), \text{ such that } |u_n(x, t)| \leq M$$

$$u_n \rightarrow u_0 \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q) \text{ for some } u_0 \in L^2(Q)$$

then

$$d_n \rightarrow d_0 \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q)$$

where:

$$d_n = d(x, t, u_n(x, t)), \quad d_0 = d(x, t, u_0(x, t)).$$

Proof. We have

$$\|d_n - d_0\|_{L^2(Q)} = \int_Q (d_n - d_0)^2 dQ \leq L^2 \int_Q (u_n - u_0) dQ \rightarrow 0.$$

LEMMA 2. Assume, that there is given a sequence  $a_n \in L^2(Q)$  and an element  $a_0 \in L^2(Q)$  such that

- (i)  $0 < \alpha_1 \leq a_n(x, t) \leq M$  a.e. in  $Q$   
 (ii)  $a_n \rightarrow a_0$  strongly in  $L^2(Q)$

then

$$\frac{1}{a_n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{a_0} \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q).$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{a_0} \right\|_{L^2(Q)}^2 &= \int_Q \left( \frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{a_0} \right)^2 dQ = \\ &= \frac{1}{a_n^2 a_0^2} \int_Q (a_n - a_0)^2 dQ \leq \frac{1}{\alpha_1^4} \int_Q (a_n - a_0)^2 dQ \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 3. Let there be given sequences  $\{a_n\}, \{b_n\}$  such that:

$$|b_n|, \left| \frac{1}{a_n} \right| \leq M_2$$

$$b_n \rightarrow b_0 \text{ weakly in } L^2(Q)$$

$$\frac{1}{a_n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{a_0} \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q)$$

then

$$\frac{b_n}{a_n} \rightarrow \frac{b_0}{a_0} \text{ weakly in } L^2(Q).$$

Proof.

$$\int_Q \left( \frac{b_n}{a_n} \right)^2 dQ \leq M_2^4 \int_Q dQ$$

so there exists a subsequence  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and an element  $\psi \in L^2(Q)$  such that

$$\frac{b_n}{a_n} \rightarrow \psi \text{ weakly in } L^2(Q)$$

we will show, that  $\psi = \frac{b_0}{a_0}$ . Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(Q)$  be given element, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_Q \left( \frac{b_n}{a_n} - \frac{b_0}{a_0} \right) \varphi \, dQ &= \int_Q b_n \left( \frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{a_0} \right) \varphi \, dQ + \\ &+ \int_Q \frac{\varphi}{a_0} (b_n - b_0) \, dQ \rightarrow 0 \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(Q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{b_n}{a_n} \rightarrow \frac{b_0}{a_0} = \psi \text{ in } \mathcal{D}'(Q).$$

Now we can state a lemma concerning continuity of the cost functional  $J(u)$  on the set of admissible controls which satisfy constraints in the form (2.2), namely.

LEMMA 4. Let there be given a sequence  $\{u_n\}$  such that

$$|u_n|, |u_{n,x}|, |u_{n,t}| \leq M \quad (2.15)$$

then there exists an element  $\bar{u}$ , with  $|\bar{u}|, |\bar{u}_x|, |\bar{u}_t| \leq M$  such that

$$J(u_n) \rightarrow J(\bar{u}). \quad (2.16)$$

Proof. By assumption (2.15) there exists a subsequence still denoted by  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and an element  $\bar{u} \in H^1(Q)$  such that

$$u_n \rightarrow \bar{u} \text{ weakly in } H^1(Q) \quad (2.17)$$

and

$$|\bar{u}|, |\bar{u}_x|, |\bar{u}_t| \leq M.$$

By compact imbedding theorem [6] (2.17) implies

$$u_n \rightarrow \bar{u} \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q) \quad (2.18)$$

let us denote

$$\begin{aligned} p_n(x, t) &= p(x, t, u_n(x, t)) \\ p_0(x, t) &= p(x, t, u_0(x, t)) \\ a_n(x, t) &= a(x, t, u_n(x, t)) \\ a_0(x, t) &= a(x, t, u_0(x, t)) \\ b_n(x, t) &= b(x, t, u_n(x, t)) \\ b_0(x, t) &= b(x, t, u_0(x, t)) \\ c_n(x, t) &= c(x, t, u_n(x, t)) \\ c_0(x, t) &= c(x, t, u_0(x, t)) \\ f_n(x, t) &= f(x, t, u_n(x, t)) \\ f_0(x, t) &= f(x, t, u_0(x, t)) \end{aligned}$$

by (2.18), by assumption (A1) (ii) and by Lemma 1 we have:

$$\begin{aligned} p_n &\rightarrow p_0 \\ a_n &\rightarrow a_0 \\ b_n &\rightarrow b_0 \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q) \\ c_n &\rightarrow c_0 \\ f_n &\rightarrow f_0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

so also

$$\begin{aligned} p_n &\rightarrow p_0 \\ c_n &\rightarrow c_0 \text{ weakly in } L^2(Q) \\ f_n &\rightarrow f_0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.20)$$

and by Lemmas 2, 3

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{a_0} &\rightarrow \frac{1}{a_0} \\ \frac{b_n}{a_n} &\rightarrow \frac{b_0}{a_0} \end{aligned} \text{ weakly in } L^2(Q) \quad (2.21)$$

so we can make use of the result of Markov and Olejnik, hence for every  $\delta > 0$

$$y_n(x, t) \rightarrow y_0(x, t) \quad (2.22)$$

uniformly on  $(0, 1) \times (\delta, T)$ . But by maximum principle [8]  $|y_n(x, t)| \leq C$ , where  $C$  does not depend on  $n$ , hence

$$A_1 y_n \rightarrow A_1 y_0 \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q) \quad (2.23)$$

and by (2.22)

$$A_2 y_n \rightarrow A_2 y_0 \text{ strongly in } L^2(\Omega)$$

whence

$$J(u_n) \rightarrow J(u_0)$$

**THEOREM 1.** There exists an optimal solution to the problem (P1).

**Proof.** Take in Lemma 4  $\{u_n\}$  to be a minimizing sequence for (P1). There exists an element  $\bar{u} \in H^1(Q)$  such that

$$u_n \rightarrow \bar{u} \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q)$$

$$J(u_n) \rightarrow J(\bar{u})$$

and

$$|\bar{u}|, |\bar{u}_x|, |\bar{u}_t| \leq M$$

whence  $\bar{u}$  is a solution to (P1).



### 3. Parametric optimization problem

Consider the following linear parabolic equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial t}, z\right) + a_i(t, y, z) = (f, z), \quad \forall z \in V \quad (3.1)$$

$$y(x, 0) = y_0, \quad x \in \Omega \quad (3.2)$$

where  $y_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$ ,  $f \in L^2(0, T, V')$  are given elements.

Bilinear form  $a_v(t, y, z)$  is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} a_v(t, y, z) = & \sum_{i,j=1}^n \int_{\Omega} a_{ij} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_j} dx + \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\Omega} a_i y \frac{\partial z}{\partial x_i} dx + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\Omega} b_i \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_i} z dx + \\ & + \int_{\Omega} cy z dx + \int_{\Gamma} dy z dx, \quad \forall y, z \in V \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

by

$$v = (a_{ij}, a_i, b_i, c, d; 1 \leq i, j \leq n) \quad (3.4)$$

we denote vector parameter, elements  $a_{ij}$ ,  $a_i$ ,  $b_i$ ,  $c$ ,  $d$  are coefficients in elliptic operator and in boundary conditions of equation (3.1), (3.2).

In particular parameter  $v$  can depend on control  $u$  in control problems, where coefficients depend on control. Let there be given functional:

$$I_2(v, y): [L^2(0, T); H^1(\Omega)]^{n^2+n} \times [L^2(Q)^{n+1} \times L^2(\Sigma) \times Y(0, T)] \rightarrow R \quad (3.5)$$

which is weakly lower semicontinuous.

Like in previous section we will consider an optimization problem, which will be denoted (P2):

$$(P2) \text{ minimize } J(v) = I_2(v, y_v)$$

subject to constraints in the form of parabolic equation (3.1), (3.2) and some constraints on coefficients, namely

$$(A3) \quad |a_{ij}|, |a_i|, |b_i|, |c|, |d| \leq M$$

$$a_{ij}(x, t) = a_{ji}(x, t) \quad \forall i, j \quad \forall (x, t) \in Q$$

$$v |\xi|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij} \xi_i \xi_j \leq \mu |\xi|^2$$

$$v > 0, \quad \forall \xi \in R^n, \quad \forall (x, t) \in Q$$

$$(A4) \quad \left\| \frac{\partial a_{ij}}{\partial x_l} \right\|_{L^2(Q)}, \quad \left\| \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial x_l} \right\|_{L^2(Q)} \leq C$$

$$l, i, j = 1, \dots, n.$$



REMARK. Let us note, that for parameters  $\boldsymbol{v}$  elements of which verify to assumption (A3) there exists [6] a unique solution  $y=y_{\boldsymbol{v}} \in Y(0, T)$  to the problem (3.1), (3.2). Furthermore the system (3.1), (3.2) generates the linear mapping

$$P(\boldsymbol{v}): L^2(\Omega) \times L^2(0, T, V') \ni (y_0, f) \mapsto y_{\boldsymbol{v}} \in Y(0, T) \quad (3.6)$$

which is an isomorphism [6].

We prove a lemma concerning convergence of a sequence of solutions of (3.1), (3.2) with respect to the sequence of its coefficients.

LEMMA 5. Assume, that there is given a sequence of vector parameters

$$\boldsymbol{v}_m = (a_{ij,m}, a_{i,m}, b_{i,m}, c_m, d_m; 1 \leq i, j \leq n) \quad m=1, 2, \dots$$

which satisfies to assumptions (A3), (A4) and converges to a vector parameter

$$\boldsymbol{v}^* = (a_{ij}^*, a_i^*, b_i^*, c^*, d^*)$$

in the following sense:

$$\begin{aligned} a_{ij,m} &\rightharpoonup a_{ij}^* \text{ weakly in } L^2(0, T; H^1(\Omega)) \\ a_{i,m} &\rightharpoonup a_i^* \text{ weakly in } L^2(0, T; H^1(\Omega)) \\ b_{i,m} &\rightharpoonup b_i^* \text{ weakly in } L^2(Q) \\ c_m &\rightharpoonup c^* \text{ weakly in } L^2(Q) \\ d_m &\rightharpoonup d^* \text{ weakly in } L^2(\Sigma) \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

then the corresponding sequence of solutions  $y_m = y_{\boldsymbol{v}_m}$  converges to the solution  $y^* = y_{\boldsymbol{v}^*}$  in the following sense

$$y_m \rightharpoonup y^* \text{ weakly in } Y(0, T) \quad (3.8)$$

$$y_m(t) \rightarrow y^*(t) \text{ strongly in } L^2(\Omega) \quad (3.9)$$

$$\forall t \in (0, T].$$

Proof. Let  $\{\boldsymbol{v}_m\}$  be given sequence of vector parameters. Denote by  $P(\boldsymbol{v}_m)$  linear operator in the form (3.6) for  $m=1, 2, \dots$ , and by  $y_m = y_{\boldsymbol{v}_m}$  the corresponding solution of the problem (3.1), (3.2).

Let us note, that the sequence  $\{P(\boldsymbol{v}_m)\}$  is convergent in the following sense:

$$P(\boldsymbol{v}_m)(y_0, f) \rightharpoonup P(\boldsymbol{v}^*)(y_0, f) \quad (3.10)$$

weakly in  $Y(0, T)$ ,  $\forall (y_0, f) \in L^2(\Omega) \times L^2(0, T, V')$  if and only if

$$P(\boldsymbol{v}_m)[P(\boldsymbol{v}^*)]^{-1}y \rightharpoonup y \text{ weakly in } Y(0, T) \quad (3.11)$$

for every element  $y$  in a dense subset of the space  $Y(0, T)$ , for example for every function  $y$ , which is smooth on  $Q$ . Hence without loss of generality we can assume, that solution of the system (3.1), (3.2)  $y^* = y_{\boldsymbol{v}^*} = P(\boldsymbol{v}^*)(y_0, f)$  which corresponds to date  $(y_0, f)$  is a smooth function. Define

$$w_m = y_m - y^*. \quad (3.12)$$

We show, that the sequence  $\{w_m\}$ , which is bounded in  $Y(0, T)$  converges to zero strongly in  $L^\infty(0, T, L^2(\Omega) \cap L^2(0, T; V))$ . Obviously,  $w_n$  is a solution of the following parabolic equation:

$$\left(\frac{dw_m}{dt}, z\right) + a_{vm}(t; w_m, z) = a_{vm}(t; y^*, z) - a_v(t; y^*, z), \quad \forall z \in V \quad (3.13)$$

$$w_m(0) = 0. \quad (3.14)$$

By setting  $z = w_m$  in (3.13) and integrating (3.13) over time interval  $(0, t)$  where  $t \in (0, T)$  we obtain the following estimation:

$$\|w_m\|_{L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega))}^2 + \|w_m\|_{L^2(0, T; V)}^2 \leq \leq C \left| \int_0^T [a_{vm}(t; y^*, w_m) - a_v(t; y^*, w_m)] dt \right| \quad (3.15)$$

but we can write

$$\int_0^T [a_{vm}(t; y^*, w_m) - a_v(t; y^*, w_m)] dt = \sum_{i=1}^7 f_i^m \quad (3.16)$$

where

$$f_1^m = \int_Q w_m \left\{ \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[ (a_{ij,m} - a_{ij}) \frac{\partial y^*}{\partial x_i} \right] \right\} dQ \quad (3.17)$$

$$f_2^m = \int_\Sigma w_m \left\{ \sum_{i,j=1}^n (a_{ij,m} - a_{ij}) \frac{\partial y^*}{\partial x_i} \cos(\vec{n}, x_j) \right\} d\Sigma \quad (3.18)$$

$$f_3^m = \int_Q w_m \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (a_{i,m} - a_i) y^* \right\} dQ \quad (3.19)$$

$$f_4^m = \int_\Sigma w_m \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n (a_{i,m} - a_i) y^* \cos(\vec{n}, x_i) \right\} d\Sigma \quad (3.20)$$

$$f_5^m = \int_Q w_m \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n (b_{i,m} - b_i) \frac{\partial y^*}{\partial x_i} \right\} dQ \quad (3.21)$$

$$f_6^m = \int_Q w_m (c_m - c) y^* dQ \quad (3.22)$$

$$f_7^m = \int_\Sigma w_m (d_m - d) y^* d\Sigma. \quad (3.23)$$

Since  $y^*$  is assumed to be a smooth function, we have

$$\frac{\partial^2 y^*}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}, \frac{\partial y^*}{\partial x_i} \in L^\infty(Q), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n \quad (3.24)$$

$$y^* \Big|_\Sigma, \frac{\partial y^*}{\partial x_i} \Big|_\Sigma \in L^\infty(\Sigma), \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad (3.25)$$

where by  $y|_{\Sigma}$  we denote the trace [6] of function  $y$  on  $\Sigma$ . Let us recall [6], that for given element  $y \in L^2(0, T, H^1(\Omega))$  its trace  $y|_{\Sigma} \in L^2(\Sigma)$  is well defined and linear mapping

$$L^2(0, T; H^1(\Omega)) \ni y \mapsto y|_{\Sigma} \in L^2(\Sigma) \quad (3.26)$$

is continuous [6], hence the above mapping is also continuous in weak topologies. In particular (3.7) implies, that

$$a_{ij, m}|_{\Sigma} \rightharpoonup a_{ij}^*|_{\Sigma} \text{ weakly in } L^2(\Sigma) \quad (3.27)$$

$$a_{i, m}|_{\Sigma} \rightharpoonup a_i^*|_{\Sigma} \text{ weakly in } L^2(\Sigma). \quad (3.28)$$

On the other hand the sequence  $\{w_m\}$  is uniformly bounded in the space  $Y(0, T)$ , hence by compact imbedding theorem ([5] p. 70th. 5.1) the sequence  $\{w_m\}$  belongs to a compact set of the space  $L^2(0, T; H^{1-\varepsilon}(\Omega))$ ,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ . But for  $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{2}$  the linear mapping

$$L^2(0, T; H^{1-\varepsilon}(\Omega)) \ni y \mapsto y|_{\Sigma} \in L^2(\Sigma) \quad (3.29)$$

is continuous [6] whence

- (i) the sequence  $\{w_m\}$  belongs to a compact set of  $L^2(Q)$ ,
- (ii) the sequence of traces  $\{w_m|_{\Sigma}\}$  belongs to a compact set of  $L^2(\Sigma)$ .

Using (3.7), (3.27), (3.28), (3.24), (3.25) and suitable convergence of the sequence  $\{w_m\}$  or  $\{w_m|_{\Sigma}\}$  one can verify that

$$f_i^m \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty, i=1, \dots, 7 \quad (3.30)$$

so  $y_m \rightarrow y^*$  strongly in  $L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega)) \cap L^2(0, T; V)$ .

But the sequence  $\{y_m\}$  is uniformly bounded in the space  $Y(0, T)$ , whence

$$y_m \rightharpoonup y^* \text{ weakly in } Y(0, T). \quad (3.31)$$

Let there are given constants  $M, \nu, \mu, C$ . Denote by  $U_{ad} \subset U = [L^2(0, T; H^1 \times \times (\Omega))]^{n^2+n} \times [L^2(Q)]^{n+1} \times L^2(\Sigma)$  the set of vector parameters  $\boldsymbol{v}$  which satisfy to (A3) (A4). One can check, that the set  $U_{ad}$  is convex, bounded and closed subset of the space  $U$  so it is weakly compact in  $U$ . Using Lemma 5 it is easy to prove the following theorem.

**THEOREM 2.** There exists an optimal solution to the problem (P2).

**Proof.** By Lemma 5 and assumption concerning functional  $I_2, J(\boldsymbol{v})$  is weakly lower semicontinuous on the set of admissible parameters  $U_{ad}$ , which is weakly compact, so there exists an optimal solution to the problem (P2).

Let us consider the case, where parameter  $\boldsymbol{v}$  depends on control  $u = u(x, t)$ .

We consider the class of functions  $h = h(x, t, r)$  defined on  $Q \times R^1$  (resp. on  $\Sigma \times R^1$ ) which satisfy the following conditions:

(A5)

$$(i) |h(x, t, r)| \leq C_1 \quad (3.32)$$



a.e. in  $Q$  (resp. a.e. in  $\Sigma$ )

$$\forall r \in [M_1, M_2]$$

where  $M_1, M_2$  are given constants;

(ii)  $h(x, t, r)$  is Lipschitz continuous with respect to  $r$  uniformly on  $Q$  (resp. on  $\Sigma$ ) that is

$$|h(x, t, r_1) - h(x, t, r_2)| \leq L |r_1 - r_2| \quad (3.33)$$

a.e. in  $Q$  (resp. a.e. in  $\Sigma$ ),  $\forall r_1, r_2 \in [M_1, M_2]$ ;

(iii)

$$\left| \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_i}(x, t, r) \right|, \left| \frac{\partial h}{\partial t}(x, t, r) \right| \leq C_2 \quad (3.34)$$

a.e. in  $Q$  (resp. a.e. in  $\Sigma$ )  $\forall r \in [M_1, M_2]$ .

LEMMA 6. Let there be given a sequence  $u_m = u_m(x, t)$  such that:

$$M_1 \leq u_m(x, t) \leq M_2 \text{ a.e. in } Q \quad (3.35)$$

$$\int_Q \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial t} \right)^2 \right\} dQ \leq C_3. \quad (3.36)$$

$M_1, M_2, C_3$  — are given constants.

Denote by  $h_m(x, t) = h(x, t, u_m(x, t))$ ,  $(x, t) \in Q$ ,  $g_m(x, t) = g(x, t, u_m(x, t))$ ,  $(x, t) \in \Sigma$  where function  $h(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$  (resp.  $g(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$ ) is assumed to satisfy condition (A5) on  $Q$  (resp. on  $\Sigma$ ).

Then there exists a subsequence  $m' \rightarrow \infty$  and an element  $u_0 \in H^1(Q)$  such that

$$u_{m'} \rightharpoonup u_0 \text{ weakly in } H^1(Q) \quad (3.37)$$

$$M_1 \leq u_0(x, t) \leq M_2 \text{ a.e. in } Q \quad (3.38)$$

$$\int_Q \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial t} \right)^2 \right\} dQ \leq C_3 \quad (3.39)$$

$$h_{m'}(x, t) \rightharpoonup h_0(x, t) \text{ weakly in } H^1(Q) \quad (3.40)$$

where  $h_0(x, t) = h(x, t, u_0(x, t))$

$$g_{m'}(x, t) \rightharpoonup g_0(x, t) \text{ weakly in } L^2(\Sigma) \quad (3.41)$$

where  $g_0(x, t) = g(x, t, u_0(x, t))$ .

Proof. By assumptions (3.35), (3.36) the sequence  $\{u_m\}$  is bounded in the Sobolev space  $H^1(Q)$  that is

$$\|u_m\|_{H^1(Q)} \leq C, m = 1, 2, \dots \quad (3.42)$$

hence there exists an element  $u_0 \in H^1(Q)$  which verifies (3.38), (3.39) such that

$$u_{m'} \rightharpoonup u_0 \text{ weakly in } H^1(Q) \quad (3.43)$$

for some subsequence  $m' \rightarrow \infty$ , furthermore by compact imbedding theorems [6], [5] (3.43) implies

$$u_{m'} \rightarrow u_0 \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q) \quad (3.44)$$

$$u_{m'}|_{\Sigma} \rightarrow u_0 \text{ strongly in } L^2(\Sigma) \quad (3.45)$$

so using Lemma 1 we obtain:

$$h_{m'}(x, t) \rightarrow h_0(x, t) \text{ strongly in } L^2(Q) \quad (3.46)$$

$$g_{m'}(x, t) \rightarrow g_0(x, t) \text{ strongly in } L^2(\Sigma). \quad (3.47)$$

On the other hand the sequence  $\{h_m\}$  is bounded in Sobolev space  $H^1(Q)$

$$\|h_m\|_{H^1(Q)} \leq C \quad (3.48)$$

hence for some subsequence  $m'' \rightarrow \infty$  of the subsequence  $m' \rightarrow \infty$  we have

$$h_{m''} \rightharpoonup \psi \text{ weakly in } H^1(Q) \quad (3.49)$$

but (3.46) implies

$$\psi = h_0$$

hence whole subsequence  $\{h_{m'}\}$  is convergent weakly in  $H^1(Q)$

$$h_{m'} \rightharpoonup h_0 \text{ weakly in } H^1(Q).$$

For given  $u \in L^2(Q)$ , by  $v = v(u)$  let us denote the vector parameter

$$v(u) = (a_{ij}(u), a_i(u), b_i(u), c(u), d(u)) \quad (3.50)$$

and by  $y_u = y_{v(u)}$  the corresponding solution of the problem (3.1), (3.2)

We assume:

(A6)

(i) functions  $a_{ij}(x, t, u)$ ,  $a_i(x, t, u)$ ,  $b_i(x, t, u)$ ,  $c(x, t, u)$  satisfy condition (A5) on  $Q \times [M_1, M_2]$  function  $d(x, t, u)$  satisfies condition (A5) on  $\Sigma \times [M_1, M_2]$

(ii)

$$a_{ij}(x, t, r) = a_{ji}(x, t, r), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\text{a.e. in } Q \quad \forall r \in [M_1, M_2]$$

$$v |\xi|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, t, r) \xi_i \xi_j \leq \mu |\xi|^2$$

$$v > 0, \mu < \infty, \forall \xi \in R^n, \text{ a.e. in } Q, \forall r \in [M_1, M_2]$$

where  $M_1, M_2, v$  and  $\mu$  are given constants.

For given constants  $M_1, M_2, M_3$  denote by  $W_{ad} \subset H^1(Q)$  the following set of admissible controls:

$$W_{ad} = \{u \in H^1(Q) | M_1 \leq u(x, t) \leq M_2 \text{ a.e. in } Q, \quad (3.51)$$

$$\int_Q \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right)^2 \right\} dQ \leq M_3 \}.$$



Given functional  $I(\cdot, \cdot): Y(0, T) \times H \rightarrow R$  (where  $H=L^2(Q)$  or  $H=H^1(Q)$ ) which is assumed to be weakly sequentially lower semicontinuous.

Consider the following optimization problem, similar to (P1), namely (P2'): minimize  $J(u)=I(y_u, u)$  over the set  $W_{ad}$  given by (3.51) and subject to constraints in the form of parabolic equation (3.1), (3.2) where  $v=v(u)$  are given by (3.50).

**THEOREM 3.** There exists an optimal solution to (P2').

**Proof.** Let us note, that lemma 6 implies, that the mapping  $H^1(Q) \ni W_{ad} \ni \cdot \mapsto v(u) \in U_{ad} \subset U$  is continuous in weak topologies from the space  $H^1(Q)$  into the space

$$U=[L^2(0, T, H^1(\Omega))]^{n^2+n} \times [L^2(Q)]^{n+1} \times L^2(\Sigma).$$

By Lemmas 5, 6 the functional  $J(u)$  is weakly sequentially lower semicontinuous on weakly sequentially compact set  $W_{ad}$ , hence there exists an element  $u^* \in W_{ad}$  such that

$$J(u^*) \leq J(u) \quad \forall u \in W_{ad}.$$

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### **Uwagi na temat istnienia rozwiązań dla zagadnień sterowania optymalnego dla liniowego równania różniczkowego cząstkowego typu parabolicznego**

Rozważono problem istnienia rozwiązań dla zagadnień sterowania optymalnego dla liniowego równania różniczkowego cząstkowego typu parabolicznego. Sterowanie występuje we współczynnikach operatora eliptycznego.

Wykorzystując wyniki dotyczące słabej zbieżności ciągu słabych rozwiązań równania parabolicznego uzyskano wyniki wystarczające dla istnienia rozwiązań rozważonych zadań sterowania parametrycznego.

### **Содержание**

В работе рассматривается вопрос существования решений некоторых задач оптимального управления для линейного уравнения параболического типа в частных производных в случае, когда управляемыми являются коэффициенты эллиптического оператора.

Используя результаты касающиеся слабой сходимости последовательности обобщённых решений параболического управления получены достаточные условия существования решений рассматриваемых задач параметрического управления.



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