

STABILITY INEQUALITIES FOR THE DELAY
PSEUDO-PARABOLIC EQUATIONS

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Abstract: This paper deals with the initial-boundary value problem for linear pseudo-parabolic equation. Using the method of energy estimates the stability bounds obtained for the considered problem. Illustrative example is also presented.

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In the domain $\bar{Q} = \bar{\Omega} \times [0, T]$; $\bar{\Omega} = [0, l]$, $Q = \Omega \times (0, T)$, $\Omega = (0, l)$ we consider the following initial-boundary value problem for a pseudo-parabolic equation with delay

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$$\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} - a(t) \frac{\partial^3 u(x, t)}{\partial t \partial x^2} = b(t) \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + c(t) \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t-r)}{\partial x^2} + d(t)u(x, t) + f(x, t), \quad (x, t) \in Q, \quad (1)$$

$$u(x, t) = \phi(x, t), \quad x \in \overline{\Omega}, \quad -r \leq t \leq 0, \quad (2)$$

$$u(0, t) = u(l, t) = 0, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad a(t) \leq \alpha \leq 0, \quad (3)$$

where $r > 0$ represents the delay parameter, $a \geq \alpha > 0$, b, c, d, f and ϕ are given sufficiently smooth functions satisfying certain regularity conditions to be specified. The above equations are usually called Sobolev type or pseudo-parabolic equations, which appear in engineering fields, such as, for instance, flows of fluids through fissured rock, heat condition involving a thermodynamic temperature and a conductive temperature, and quasistationary processes in semiconductors (see, e.g. [1]-[6]). This existence and uniqueness result for pseudo-parabolic equations without delay can be found, e.g., in [7]-[11]. In the present study, using the method of energy estimates we have obtained the stability bounds for the problem (1)–(3). Illustrative example is also given.

Lemma 1. *Let $\delta(t) \geq 0$ be the continuous function such that*

$$\delta(t) \leq \delta_* + \int_0^t \{c_0 \delta(s) + c_1 \delta(s-r)\} ds, \quad t > 0, \\ \delta(t) = \varphi(t), \quad -r \leq t \leq 0,$$

with nonnegative constants δ_*, c_0, c_1 and $\varphi \in C[-r, 0]$. Then

$$\delta(t) \leq \delta_* \exp \left(c_0 + c_1 \int_{-r}^0 \varphi(s) ds \right).$$

Proof. After replacing $s-r = \eta$ we observe that

$$\int_0^t \delta(s-r) ds = \int_{-r}^{t-r} \delta(\eta) d\eta = \begin{cases} \int_{-r}^0 \varphi(t) dt, & 0 \leq t \leq r, \\ \int_{-r}^0 \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^{t-r} \delta(\eta) d\eta, & t \geq r. \end{cases}$$

Therefore we have

$$\delta(t) \leq \delta_* + \left(c_0 + c_1 \int_{-r}^0 \varphi(t) dt \right) \int_0^t \delta(s) ds,$$

which by using the Gronwall inequality completes the proof. \square

Theorem 2. For $a, b, c, d \in C[0, T]$, $f \in C(\bar{Q})$ and $\frac{\partial^k \phi}{\partial \phi^k} \in C(\bar{\Omega} \times [-r, 0])$, $k = 0, 1$ the solution of the delay boundary-value problem (1) – (3) satisfies the following stability bound:

$$\alpha \|u\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2 \leq \left[A + c_1 \int_{-r}^0 \left(\alpha \|\phi\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right\|^2 dt \right) \right], \quad 0 \leq t \leq T, \quad (4)$$

where

$$(g, h) = \int_0^l g(x)h(x)dx, \quad \|g\|^2 = \int_0^l g^2(x)dx,$$

$$A = 2\alpha \|\phi\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right\|^2 + 4\alpha T \int_0^T \|f\|^2 ds,$$

$$c_0 = T \max \left(4\bar{c}^2, 2\bar{b}^2 \right), \quad c_1 = 4\alpha^{-2}\bar{d}^2 T, \quad \bar{g} = \max_{[0, T]} |g(t)|.$$

Proof. Consider the identity

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) - a(t) \left(\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial t \partial x^2}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) = b(t) \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) \\ & + c(t) \left(\frac{\partial^2 u(\cdot, t-r)}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) + d(t) \left(u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) + \left(f(t), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Next we will use the following relations

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) = \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right\|^2,$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial t \partial x^2}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) = \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x}, \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right) = \left\| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right\|^2,$$

$$\left| b(t) \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) \right| = \left| b(t) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right) \right| \leq \mu_1 \left\| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right\|^2 + \frac{\bar{b}^2(t)}{4\mu_1} \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2,$$

$$\left| c(t) \left(\frac{\partial^2 u(\cdot, t-r)}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) \right| = \left| c(t) \left(\frac{\partial u(\cdot, t-r)}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right) \right|$$

$$\leq \mu_2 \left\| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right\|^2 + \frac{\bar{c}^2(t)}{4\mu_2} \left\| \frac{\partial u(\cdot, t-r)}{\partial x} \right\|^2,$$

$$\left| d(t) \left(u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) \right| \leq \mu_3 \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right\|^2 + \frac{\bar{d}^2(t)}{4\mu_3} \|u\|^2,$$

$$\left| \left(f(t), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) \right| \leq \mu_4 \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right\|^2 + \frac{1}{4\mu_4} \|f\|^2.$$

Then from (5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - \mu_3 - \mu_4) \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right\|^2 + (a(t) - \mu_1 - \mu_2) \left\| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right\|^2 &\leq \frac{\bar{b}^2}{4\mu_1} \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2 \\ &+ \frac{\bar{c}^2}{4\mu_2} \left\| \frac{\partial u(\cdot, t-r)}{\partial x} \right\|^2 + \frac{\bar{d}^2}{4\mu_3} \|u\|^2 + \frac{1}{4\mu_4} \|f\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Choosing

$$\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \frac{\alpha}{4}, \quad \mu_3 = \mu_4 = \frac{1}{4},$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right\|^2 + \alpha \left\| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right\|^2 &\leq \frac{\bar{b}^2}{\alpha} \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2 + 2\bar{d}^2 \|u\|^2 + \frac{2\bar{c}^2}{\alpha} \left\| \frac{\partial u(\cdot, t-r)}{\partial x} \right\|^2 \\ &+ 2\|f\|^2. \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

After integrating (6) on $(0, t)$ and using the inequality

$$g^2(t) \leq 2g^2(0) + 2T \int_0^t |g'(s)|^2 ds,$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right\|^2 ds &\geq \frac{1}{2T} \|u\|^2 - \frac{1}{T} \|\phi\|^2, \\ \int_0^t \left\| \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t \partial x} \right\|^2 ds &\geq \frac{1}{2T} \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2 - \frac{1}{T} \left\| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the inequality (6) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \|u\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2 &\leq 4\alpha T \bar{d}^2 \int_0^t \|u\|^2 ds + 2T \bar{b}^2 \int_0^t \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2 ds \\ &+ 4T \bar{c}^2 \int_0^t \left\| \frac{\partial u(\cdot, t-r)}{\partial x} \right\|^2 ds + A. \end{aligned}$$

Denote

$$\delta(t) = \alpha \|u\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2,$$

then

$$\delta(t) \leq A + c_0 \int_0^t \delta(s) ds + c_1 \int_0^t \delta(s - r) ds.$$

From here by Lemma 1 we have

$$\delta(t) \leq \left[A + c_1 \int_{-r}^0 \left(\alpha \|\phi\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right\|^2 \right) dt \right] \exp(c_0 T + c_1 \exp(c_0 T) t)$$

which immediately leads to (4). □

Example

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - (1 + t)^2 \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial t \partial x^2} = e^{-t} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \sqrt{2 + t^2} \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t - 1)}{\partial x^2} + tu + t \sin \pi x,$$

$$0 < t \leq 1, \quad 0 < x < 1,$$

$$u(x, t) = te^{-t}, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad -1 \leq t \leq 0.$$

Using the inequality (4) with

$$\alpha = 1, \quad \bar{b} = 1, \quad \bar{c} = \sqrt{3}, \quad \bar{d} = 1,$$

$$\int_{-r}^0 \|\phi\|^2 dt = \int_{-r}^0 \frac{t}{2} (1 - e^{-2x}) dt = \frac{1 - e^{-2x}}{6},$$

$$\int_{-r}^0 \left\| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right\|^2 dt = \frac{1 - e^{-2x}}{6},$$

gives us the following stability estimate for the solution of our particular problem:

$$v(t) \geq 0,$$

$$\|u\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right\|^2 \leq \left[2 + 12 \left(\frac{1 - e^{-2x}}{6} \right) \right] \exp(4T + 12 \exp(4T) t).$$

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