

ON NON-CLASSICAL SOLUTIONS FOR SOME NON-LOCAL
BITSADZE-SAMARSKI BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM

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Abstract. In the paper, based on the variational approach, the definition of a classical solution is generalized for the simplest non-local boundary problem posed in a rectangular area.

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Let us consider the following non-local boundary value problem

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta v(x, y) + \lambda v(x, y) &= f(x, y), & (x, y) \in G, \\ v(x, y)|_{\Gamma} &= 0, \\ v(x, y)|_{\Gamma_{-\xi}} &= v(x, y)|_{\Gamma_0}, \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where $G = \{(x, y) | -a < x < 0, 0 < y < b\}$ and ∂G is the boundary of the rectangle G , while Γ_t denotes the intersection of the line $x = t$ ($-a \leq t \leq 0$) with $\bar{G} = G \cup \partial G$, $v(x, y)$ is the unknown and $f(x, y)$ is a given function, $\lambda = Const \geq 0$, $\Gamma = \partial G \setminus \Gamma_0$ and $\xi \in]0, a[$. Many scientific works are dedicated to the investigation of nonlocal problems (see, for example [2]-[6]). In some papers the possibility of variational formulations of such type problems for partial differential [4] and ordinary differential equations [5], [6] are studied.

It is known that if $f(x, y) \in C(\bar{G})$, then problem (1), has a unique classical solution $u(x, y) \in C^2(G) \cap C(\bar{G})$ [2],[3]. The aim of the paper is to generalize the definition of the classical solution to some of the discontinuous $f(x, y)$ functions on the right hand side.

Let us introduce some notations, definitions and facts [4]. Suppose $g(x, y)$ and $g_0(y)$ are defined almost everywhere on $G \setminus \Gamma_0$ and Γ_0 respectively. In addition, let $g(x, y) \in L_2(G)$ and $g_0(y) \in L_2(\Gamma_0)$. Construct the function $\bar{g}(x, y)$, defined almost everywhere on \bar{G} as follows: restriction of $g(x, y)$ on $\bar{G} \setminus \Gamma_0$ is equivalent to $g(x, y)$, and restriction on Γ_0 (or the boundary value of $\bar{g}(0, y)$) to $g_0(y)$. Subsequently, each such $\bar{g}(x, y)$ function, defined almost everywhere on \bar{G} will be identified with its generator $g(x, y)$ and $g_0(y)$, $\bar{g}(x, y) = (g(x, y), g_0(y))$. Denote the lineal of all such functions (pairs) by $D(\bar{G})$.

Suppose that $Q = \{(x, y) | 0 < x < \xi, 0 < y < b\}$, and on $D(\bar{G})$ define a symmetric extension operator τ that for any function $\bar{v}(x, y) = (v(x, y), v_0(y))$ of the lineal $D(\bar{G})$ corresponds to the function in the rectangle $\bar{G} \cup \bar{Q}$

$$\tau \bar{v}(x, y) = \begin{cases} v(x, y), & \text{if } (x, y) \in \bar{G} \setminus \Gamma_0, \\ -v(-x, y) + 2v_0(y), & \text{if } (x, y) \in \bar{Q} \end{cases}$$

equivalent to the function $\tau \bar{v}(x, y)$ defined almost everywhere. It is called the symmetric extension of the function $\bar{v}(x, y)$. Hereafter, we will use the notation $\tau \bar{v}(x, y) = \tilde{v}(x, y)$. Determine the scalar production on $D(\bar{G})$ lineal by $[\bar{g}, \bar{h}] = \int_0^b \int_{-\xi}^{\xi} \int_{-a}^x \tilde{g}(s, y) \tilde{h}(s, y) ds dx dy$.

As a result, $D(\overline{G})$ lineal becomes the preimage of Hilbert space $H(\overline{G})$ with the norm $\|\overline{v}\|_H = [\overline{v}, \overline{v}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$, that is equivalent to the norm $[\overline{v}]^2 = \|v(x, y)\|_{L_2(G)}^2 + \|v_0(y)\|_{L_2(0, b)}^2$.

Thus $H(\overline{G})$ is the Hilbert space. To indicate that, for example, the function $\overline{g}(x, y)$ belongs to the space $H(\overline{G})$ we often use $\overline{g}(x, y) = (g(x, y), g_0(y)) \in H(\overline{G})$.

Suppose the domain of the operator $A = -\Delta + \lambda I$ is $D_A(\overline{G})$ lineal of the space $H(\overline{G})$, for which the following conditions are fulfilled for each function $\overline{v}(x, y)$:

1. $\overline{v}(x, y) \in C^2(\overline{G})$, $\left. \frac{\partial^2 \overline{v}(x, y)}{\partial x^2} \right|_{\Gamma_{-\xi}} = 0$, $\left. \frac{\partial^2 \overline{v}(x, y)}{\partial x^k} \right|_{\Gamma_0} = 0$, $\forall y \in [0, b]$, $k = 1, 2$.
2. $\overline{v}(x, y)|_{\Gamma} = 0$, $\overline{v}(x, y)|_{\Gamma_{-\xi}} = \overline{v}(x, y)|_{\Gamma_0}$.

The lineal $D_A(\overline{G})$ is dense at $H(\overline{G})$ and the operator $A = -\Delta + \lambda I$ is positively defined on $D_A(\overline{G})$ lineal. Thus, we are able to follow the standard path of completion of $D_A(\overline{G})$ lineal into energy space [1]. Define the scalar product on $D_A(\overline{G})$ lineal by $[\overline{g}, \overline{h}]_A = \int_0^b \int_{-\xi}^{\xi} \int_{-a}^x \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{g}(s, y)}{\partial s} \frac{\partial \tilde{h}(s, y)}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial \tilde{g}(s, y)}{\partial y} \frac{\partial \tilde{h}(s, y)}{\partial y} + \lambda \tilde{g}(s, y) \tilde{h}(s, y) \right) ds dx dy$ and for the corresponding norm use the notation $\|\cdot\|_A$. Introducing the scalar multiplication $D_A(\overline{G})$ lineal is transformed into the Hilbert space. Denote it by $S_A(\overline{G})$. Let us denote the energy space obtained by completing the space $S_A(\overline{G})$ by $H_A(\overline{G})$. In this space the norm defined by $\|\overline{v}\|^2 = \|v\|_{W_2^{(1)}(G)}^2 + \|v_0(y)\|_{W_2^{(1)}(0, b)}^2$ is equivalent to the norm $\|\cdot\|_A$.

Thus, for any function $\overline{v}(x, y) = (v(x, y), v_0(y)) \in H(\overline{G})$ of the space $H_A(\overline{G})$ we have $v(x, y) \in W_2^{(1)}(G)$, and $\overline{v}(0, y) = v_0(y)$ boundary value and the traces $v|_{\Gamma_{-\xi}}$ and $v|_{\Gamma_0}$ of the function $v(x, y)$ are equal and absolutely continuous ($v_0(y) \in W_2^{(1)}(0, b)$).

Let us $\varphi(y) \in L_2(0, b)$, $f(x, y) \in L_2(G)$, then for the function $\overline{f}(x, y) = (f(x, y), \varphi(y)) \in H(\overline{G})$ the quadratic functional $I_{f\varphi}(\overline{v}) = [\overline{v}, \overline{v}]_A - 2[\overline{f}, \overline{v}]$ has the unique minimizing function $\overline{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y) \in H_A(\overline{G})$ that for any $\overline{v}(x, y) \in H_A(\overline{G})$ satisfies $[\overline{u}_{f\varphi}, \overline{v}]_A = [\overline{f}, \overline{v}]$. Also there is constant $C_0 > 0$ such that $\|\overline{u}_{f\varphi}\|_A \leq C_0 \|\overline{f}\|_H$. Based on this and on the equivalence of norms ($\|\cdot\| \sim \|\cdot\|_A$, $[\cdot, \cdot] \sim [\cdot, \cdot]_H$) there exists a constant $C_1 > 0$ for which

$$\|\overline{u}_{f\varphi}\|_{W_2^{(1)}(G)}^2 + \|\overline{u}_{f\varphi(0, y)}\|_{W_2^{(1)}(0, b)}^2 \leq C_1 (\|f\|_{L_2(G)}^2 + \|\varphi\|_{L_2(0, b)}^2). \quad (2)$$

It is worth noting that $\varphi(y)$ does not participate in the statement of the problem(1), it belongs to the space $L_2(0, b)$ (as a function parameter) and there is correspondence to each of its specific representatives (value) and to the unique minimizing function $\overline{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y) \in H_A(\overline{G})$ of the functional $I_{f\varphi}$. When $f(x, y) \in C(\overline{G})$ and $\varphi(y)$ are such that the corresponding minimizing function $\overline{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y)$ is smooth enough, then based on the equation $[\overline{u}_{f\varphi}, \overline{v}]_A = [\overline{f}, \overline{v}]$ it is obtained that $\overline{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y)$ is the classical solution of the problem (1): $\overline{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y) = u(x, y)$. Hereafter we will call $\varphi(y)$ the coordination function parameter. The following question arises. Is there $\varphi_f(y)$ value of the function parameter for which the minimizing function is the solution of the problem (1).

Theorem 1. Suppose $\overline{f}(x, y) = (f(x, y), \varphi(y))$, where $f(x, y) \in C(\overline{G})$ and $\varphi(y) \in L_2(0, b)$ is the function parameter. In order to coincides the function $\overline{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y) \in H_A(\overline{G})$ with the

solution of problem (1), it is necessary and sufficient that

$$-\frac{d^2\bar{u}_{f\varphi}(0, y)}{dy^2} + \lambda\bar{u}_{f\varphi}(0, y) = \varphi(y), \quad y \in]0, b[. \tag{3}$$

Based on Theorem 1, when $f(x, y) \in C(\bar{G})$ and $\varphi(y) = -\frac{d^2u(0, y)}{dy^2} + \lambda u(0, y)$ the minimizing function $\bar{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y)$ of $I_{f\varphi}$ will coincide with the classical solution $u(x, y)$ of problem (1). In particular, if $f(x, y) \in R_A(\bar{G})$, we have $\varphi(y) = f(-\xi, y)$.

Theorem 1 is fair even when we change equation (3) to its integral form.

Theorem 2. Suppose $\bar{f}(x, y) = (f(x, y), \varphi(y))$, $f(x, y) \in C(\bar{G})$, $\varphi(y) \in L_2(0, b)$ is the value of the function parameter. In order the minimizing function $\bar{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y) \in H_A(\bar{G})$ coincides with the solution of problem (1), it is necessary and sufficient to have

$$\int_0^b \left(\frac{d\bar{u}_{f\varphi}(0, y)}{dy} \frac{d\eta(y)}{dy} + \lambda\bar{u}_{f\varphi}(0, y)\eta(y) \right) dy = \int_0^b \varphi(y)\eta(y)dy, \forall \eta(y) \in \overset{0}{W}_2^{(1)}(0, b). \tag{4}$$

According to Theorem 2, if $f(x, y) \in C(\bar{G})$, then the following two problems are equivalent:

I. Find the classical solution of problem (1);

II. Find the minimizing function $\bar{u}_{f\varphi}(x, y) \in H_A(\bar{G})$ of the functional $J_{f\varphi}(\bar{v})$, for which

the trace $\bar{u}_{f\varphi}(0, y) \in \overset{0}{W}_2^{(1)}(0, b)$ and the value of the parameter function $\varphi(y) \in L_2(0, b)$ satisfy equality (4).

It should be noted that the second problem can be posed in a more general way if we replace $f(x, y) \in C(\bar{G})$ by $f(x, y) \in L_2(G)$. Thus, in order to generalize the concept of the classical solution of problem (1) it is desirable to introduce the following definition.

Definition. Suppose that for $f(x, y) \in L_2(G)$, there exists a function $\varphi_f(y) \in L_2(0, b)$ such that $\bar{f}(x, y) = (f(x, y), \varphi_f(y)) \in H_A(\bar{G})$ and the trace $\bar{u}_{f\varphi_f}(0, y) \in \overset{0}{W}_2^{(1)}(0, b)$ of the function $\bar{u}_{f\varphi_f}(x, y)$ minimizing the functional $J_{f\varphi_f}(\bar{v})$ in the space $H_A(\bar{G})$ satisfies (4), then such $\bar{u}_{f\varphi_f}(x, y) \in H_A(\bar{G})$ is called a generalized solution of problem (1).

Hereinafter, $\varphi_f(y)$ is called the function of the right-hand side $f(x, y)$ and $\bar{f}(x, y) = (f(x, y), \varphi_f(y)) \in H(\bar{G})$ the coordinated pair of (1).

It is easy to see that, if there exists a generalized solution of problem (1), then it is unique. Hereinafter, it is denoted by $\bar{u}(x, y)$. It is clear that if $f(x, y) \in C(\bar{G})$ then the generalized solution of problem (1) coincides with the classical solution: $\bar{u}(x, y) = u(x, y)$.

According to the inequality $\|\bar{u}_{f\varphi}\|_A \leq C_0\|\bar{f}\|_H$, there exists a constant $C_0 > 0$ such that

$$\|\bar{u}(x, y)\|_A \leq C_0\|(f(x, y), \varphi_f(y))\|_H. \tag{5}$$

(5) expresses continuous dependence of the generalized solution on the coordinated pair.

Theorem 3. Suppose $\bar{f}_n(x, y) = (f_n(x, y), \varphi_n(y)) \in H(\bar{G})$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ is a fundamental sequence of coordinated pairs, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n(x, y) - f(x, y)\|_{L_2(G)} = 0$. Besides, let $\{\bar{u}_n(x, y)\}$ be the sequence of the proper generalized solutions of these coordinate pairs. Then $\{\bar{f}_n(x, y)\}$ converges to the coordinated pair of problem (1) and the sequence of the generalized solutions $\{u_n(x, y)\}$ converges to the general solution of problem (1).

To illustrate that the above definition of a generalized solution of problem (1) generalizes the concept of a classical solution, let us give an example of the nonclassical solution of problem (1). Take a function $\bar{u}(x, y) \in H_A(\bar{G})$ that does not have the smoothness of a classical solution (for example, a second-order derivative has a discontinuity on some curve). With $\bar{u}(x, y)$ we are finding “corresponding” $\bar{f}(x, y) = (f(x, y), \varphi_f(y)) \in H_A(\bar{G})$ pairs: $f(x, y) = -\Delta \bar{u}(x, y) + \lambda \bar{u}(x, y)$ almost everywhere on the G and at the same time relation (4) is satisfied (at the expense of choosing proper $\bar{u}(x, y)$). In the simple cases $\bar{u}(0, y)$ will be smooth and $\varphi_f(y) = -\frac{d^2 \bar{u}(0, y)}{dy^2} + \lambda \bar{u}(0, y)$. It is likely that $\bar{u}(x, y)$, chosen in this way, will be a generalized solution of problem (1). To prove this, it is sufficient to show that the variation $\delta J_{f\varphi_f}(\bar{u}, \bar{h}) = 0$.

In the example below, we took $\lambda = 0, \xi = \frac{1}{2}$ and $a = b = 1$.

Example. Suppose $\bar{G} = \bar{G}_1 \cup \bar{G}_2$. Consider

$$\bar{u}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 4x(x+1)y(y-1), & \text{when } (x, y) \in \bar{G}_1, \\ -y^2 + y, & \text{when } (x, y) \in \bar{G} \setminus \bar{G}_1. \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{Accordingly, } f(x, y) = \begin{cases} -8(x^2 + x + y^2 + y), & \text{when } (x, y) \in \bar{G}_1, \\ 2, & \text{when } (x, y) \in \bar{G} \setminus \bar{G}_1 \end{cases}$$

and $\varphi_f(y) = 2, y \in [0, 1]$.

It is obvious that condition (4) is fulfilled. The fact that the corresponding variation is zero can be verified easily. Thus, the function (6) is indeed a generalized solution ($f(x, y)$, is not continuous on $\Gamma_{-\frac{1}{2}}$ and obviously $\bar{u}(x, y)$ cannot be a classical solution).

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