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SOME MAXIMUM PRINCIPLES FOR A CLASS OF
SINGULAR OPERATORS OF MIXED PARABOLIC-HYPERBOLIC TYPE

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CÎTEVA PRINCIPII DE MAXIM PENTRU O CLASĂ DE OPERATORI
DE TIP MIXT PARABOLIC-HIPERBOLIC

Rezumat.

În această lucrare se dau câteva principii de maxim pentru o clasă de operatori singulari de tip mixt parabolic-hyperbolic, exprimînd condițiile numai cu ajutorul coeficienților.

The purpose of this paper is to give some maximum principles for a class of singular parabolic-hyperbolic type equations of the form

$$(1) \quad Lu := \begin{cases} L_1(u) & \text{in } D_1 \\ L_2(u) & \text{in } D_2 \end{cases} = 0$$

Here L_1 is the parabolic operator given by

$$(2) \quad L_1(u) := u_{xx} + a_1(x,y)u_x + b_1(x,y)u_y + c_1(x,y)u,$$

where $a_1, b_1, c_1 \in C(\bar{D}_1)$, and the domain D_1 is defined by

$$(3) \quad D_1 = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 / -a < x < 0, 0 < y < b, a > 0, b > 0\},$$

i.e. D_1 is a rectangle bounded by the perpendicular segments AB, BB_0, B_0A_0, A_0A , where $A_0(-a,b), B_0(0,b), B(0,0), A(-a,0)$.

The operator L_2 is singular hyperbolic given by

$$L_2(u) := u_{xx} - h^2(x)u_{yy} + q \frac{h'(x)}{h(x)}u_x + ph'(x)u_y + c_2(x,y)u$$

in the domain D_2 bounded by the segment BB_0 of Oy - axis and by

two characteristics Γ_1, Γ_2 of the operator L_2 through B and B_0 , respectively, which is with the positive x -coordinate and one intersect in the point $C(a,c)$.

We denote $D = D_1 \cup D_2 \cup BB_0$, and suppose that the coefficients of the operators L_1 and L_2 fulfill the conditions:

- (5) a_1, b_1, c_1 satisfy the Hölder condition in respect to x , again b_1 and in respect to y ;
- (6) $b_1(x,y) \leq -b_0 < 0$, and $c_1(x,y) \leq 0$ for any $(x,y) \in \bar{D}_1$;
- (7) $h \in C^2(0,a) \cap C^1[0,a]$, or (8) $h \in C^1[0,a]$;
- (9) $h(0) = 0$ and $h(x) h'(x) > 0$ for $x \in (0,a)$;
- (10) $c_2 \in C(\bar{D}_2 \setminus BB_0)$, $c_2(x,y) \leq 0$ for any $(x,y) \in D_2$;
- (11) $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$

We have two preliminary results:

Lemma 1. *If the conditions (5), (6), (8) and*

(12) $h(0)=0, h'(x)>0, x \in (0,a),$

(13) $a_1(x,y)=0$ for any $(x,y) \in D_1$ and $c_2(x,y)=0$ for any $(x,y) \in D_2,$

then there exists a function $g \in C^2(\bar{D} \setminus BB_0)$, such that

(14) $L_1(g) > 0$ in $\bar{D}_1 \setminus BB_0,$ and

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Proof. We consider the function g such that

(15) $L_1(g) = g_{xx} + b_1(x,y)g_y + c_1(x,y)g > 0$ in $\bar{D}_1 \setminus BB_0$

and

$$(16) \quad L_2(g) = g_{xx} - h^2(x)g_{yy} + q \frac{h'(x)}{h(x)}g_x + ph'(x)g_y > 0$$

in $\bar{D}_2 \setminus BB_0$

Let be $g: [-a,a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g \in C^2([-a,0) \cup (0,a])$, therefore we consider that g is a function of a single variable x .

Then the relation (15) and (16) becomes

$$g'' + c_1(x,y)g > 0$$

and

$$g'' + q \frac{h'(x)}{h(x)}g' > 0$$

in

$$\bar{D}_2 \setminus BB_0$$

When $q \leq 0$ we can choose the function g such that $g(x) < 0$ in

$[-a, 0)$, respectively $g'(x) < 0$ in $(0, a]$, and $g''(x) > 0$ in $[-a, 0) \cup (0, a]$. Thus, for the function $g: [-a, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $g(x) = x^2 - 3a|x|$ we have $g(x) < 0$ in $[-a, 0)$, $g'(x) = 2x - 3a < 0$ in $(0, a]$ and $g''(x) = 2 > 0$ in $[-a, 0) \cup (0, a]$.

Therefore, using the relations (6), (12) and the fact that $q \leq 0$ we get that the relations (17) and (18) holds.

When $q > 0$ we can choose the function $g: [-a, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \int_x^{-x} (h(-s))^{2q} ds, & x \in [-a, 0) \\ 0, & x = 0 \\ \int_x^a (h(s))^{-2q} ds, & x \in (0, a] \end{cases}$$

Thus, for $x \in [-a, 0)$ the relation (17) become

$$2q h'(-x) h^{2q-1}(-x) + c_1(x, y) \int_x^{-x} (h(-s))^{2q} ds > 0,$$

which is obvious fulfilled, again for $x \in (0, a]$ the relation (18) become

$$\frac{2q h'(x)}{h^{2q-1}(x)} - q \frac{h'(x)}{h(x)} \cdot \frac{1}{h^{2q}(x)} > 0,$$

which is, also, obvious fulfilled.

In conclusion, for the function g considered above the relation (14) hold, therefore the lemma is proved.

Lemma 2 [10]. *If the conditions (5), (6), (8), (9), (10) holds and*

$$(19) \quad a_1(x, y) \leq 0 \text{ for any } (x, y) \in D_1,$$

then there exists a function $g \in C^2(\bar{D} \setminus BB_0)$ such that

$$(20) \quad L_1(g) < 0 \text{ in } \bar{D}_1 \setminus BB_0, \quad L_2(g) < 0 \text{ in } \bar{D}_2 \setminus BB_0$$

and

$$(21) \quad g_x(x, y) > 0 \text{ in } \bar{D}_1 \setminus BB_0, \quad g_x(x, y) < 0 \text{ in } \bar{D}_2 \setminus BB_0.$$

Definition 1. We say that the operator L_2 has the maximum property (M.P.) if the conditions (10)

$$(22) \quad u \in C^2(\bar{D}_2 \setminus BB_0) \cap C^1(\bar{D}_2)$$

$$(23) \quad L_2(u) \leq 0 \text{ in } \bar{D}_2 \setminus BB_0$$

$$(24) \quad u_x(0, y) < 0$$

and

$$\max_{\bar{m}_1} u < 0 \quad \text{if} \quad c_2 \neq 0$$

imply that

$$\max_{\bar{D}_1} u = \max_{\bar{m}_1} u$$

Remark 1. The relation (25) is not necessary if $c_2 = 0$.

We have

Theorem 1. We suppose that the coefficients of the operators L_1 and L_2 satisfy the conditions (5), (6), (7), (10), (12) and

$$(27) \quad p - q - 1 \geq 0, \quad p + q + 1 \leq 0.$$

If $u \in C^2(\bar{D} \setminus BB_0) \cap C^1(\bar{D})$ is a solution of inequations

$$(28) \quad L_1(u) \leq 0 \quad \text{in} \quad D_1 \quad \text{and}$$

$$(29) \quad L_2(u) \leq 0 \quad \text{in} \quad D_2,$$

for which

$$(30) \quad u_y(x, 0) \leq 0, \quad u_x(0, y) < 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$(31) \quad \max_{\bar{D}} u \leq 0 \quad \text{when} \quad c_1 \neq 0$$

and

$$c_2 \neq 0$$

then we have

$$(32) \quad \max_{\bar{D}} u = \max_{\bar{m}_1, \bar{m}_2} u$$

Remarks: 2. In the conditions of the Theorem 1 the operator L_2 has the (M.P.) in D_2 .

3. If $c_1 = 0, c_2 = 0$ the condition (31) is not necessary.

Proof. In the conditions (5), (6), (28) the continuous functions u in D_1 has its negative maximum on the segments AB, BB_0, A_0A . Really the function $(-u)$ satisfies the inequation $L_1(-u) \geq 0$ in D_1 and from [4] its positive maximum is attained on the mentioned segments. Now, we prove that for function u any point $(x_0, 0)$ of the segment AB cannot be a negative maximum point. From (28), through passage to the limit as $y \rightarrow +0$, because of continuity of the derivatives u_x, u_y, u_{xx} , we get that

$$(33) \quad u_{xx}(x,0) + a_1(x,0) u_x(x,0) + c_1(x,0) u(x,0) + b_1(x,0) u_y(x,0) \leq 0,$$

therefore

$$(34) \quad (-u_{xx}(x,0)) + a_1(x,0) (-u_x(x,0)) + c_1(x,0) (-u(x,0)) + b_1(x,0) (-u_y(x,0)) \geq 0.$$

From this inequality, because of the relations (5), (6) in a positive maximum $(x_0, 0)$ of $(-u)$, must we have

$$(35) \quad u_y(x_0, 0) > 0.$$

Really, in the positive maximum point $(x_0, 0)$ for $(-u)$ we have $(-u_{xx}(x_0, 0)) < 0$, $(-u_x(x_0, 0)) = 0$, $(-u(x_0, 0)) > 0$, and how $c_1(x_0, 0) < 0$ and $b_1(x_0, 0) < 0$, because we have the relation (34) we must have $(-u_y(x_0, 0)) < 0$, i.e. (35).

But, the relation (35) is a contradiction with the condition (30). This prove that the function u have not in D_1 a negative maximum attains on the segment AB . It remain then that negative \bar{D}_1 is attains on yhe segments BB_0 , A_0A .

For the domain D_2 , if the \bar{D}_2 is attains in a point $Q \in \bar{D}_2 \setminus BB_0$ we apply Theorem 3 from [7] and so we get a contradiction with the hypotesis of the Theorem 1. Therefore $\bar{D}_2 = BB_0$, and so the Theorem 1 is proved.

Analogously we have

Theorem 2. *In the conditions of the Theorem 1 for the solution of the inequations (28) and (29) we have the relation*

$$\max_{\bar{D}_1} D_+ u = \max_{BB_0} u_x = \max_{\bar{D}_2} D_- u$$

where the operators D_+ and D_- are defined by

$$D_+ u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + h(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

Proof. We use the Theorem 3[7].

Remarks: On the base of Theorem 1 we can obtain some theorems regarding the uniqueness of the solution for certain boundary value problem for the mixed operator L in the domain D .

5. Using some results of the paper [7] we can obtain a strong estimation for the solution u of the inequations (28) and (29) in which appear and the values of x , u , u_x on BB_0 and the values of x , $L_2 u$ on D_2 .

6. For $p = 0$, $q = -2$ and $c_2 = 0$ one obtains an especially case of some operator which has been considered by L.E. Payne and D. Sather in 1967.

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