

ON THE EXISTENCE RESULT FOR AN ABSTRACT
NONLINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

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1. Introduction

Let X be a real Banach space with norm $\| \cdot \|$ and $U \subset X$ be an open set.

The purpose of this paper is to study the local existence of the integral solution in the sense of Benilan [2], for the initial value problem

$$(E) \quad \frac{du(t)}{dt} + Au(t) \ni F(u)(t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq T,$$
$$u(0) = u_0,$$

where $A \subset X \times X$ is a m -accretive set, F is a mapping from $C(0, T, U)$ into $C(0, T; X)$ and $u_0 \in \overline{D(A)} \cap U$.

Under different assumptions than ours, this problem has been studied in [1, 6, 7, 9].

Section 2 is a preliminary part. In section 3, we establish the existence of integral solution of problem (E) in the case which $(I + \lambda A)^{-1}$ is compact for all $\lambda > 0$ and F satisfies an appropriate bounded condition. Section 4 is devoted to the continuation of solution and an example.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, X is a real Banach space with norm $\| \cdot \|$ and X^* is its dual space with the corresponding norm $\| \cdot \|_*$. Let $J: X \rightarrow 2^{X^*}$ be the duality mapping, i. e. :

$$(2.1) \quad J(x) = \{x^* \in X^* : \langle x, x^* \rangle = \|x\|^2 = \|x^*\|_*^2\}$$

for each $x \in X$. For each $(x, y) \in X \times X$, define

$$(2.2) \quad \langle y, x \rangle_* = \sup\{\langle y, x^* \rangle : x^* \in J(x)\}.$$

We recall that the mapping $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_* : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is upper semicontinuous. If $A \subset X \times X$ and $x \in X$, we denote by $Ax = \{y \in X : (x, y) \in A\}$, $D(A) = \{x \in X : Ax \neq \emptyset\}$, $R(A) = \bigcup \{Ax : x \in D(A)\}$ and $|Ax| = \inf\{\|y\| : y \in Ax\}$. For each set $D \subset X$, \bar{D} represents the closure of D . For $x \in X$ and $r > 0$, we denote by $B(x, r)$ the closed ball with center x and radius r .

DEFINITION 2.1. ([9]) A continuous function $u : [0, T] \rightarrow D(A) \cap U$ with $u(0) = u_0$ is called an integral solution of (E) if

$$(2.3) \quad \|u(t) - x\|^2 \leq \|u(s) - x\|^2 + 2 \int_s^t \langle F(u)(\theta) - y, u(\theta) - x \rangle_* d\theta$$

for all $(x, y) \in A$ and $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$.

Let $A \subset X \times X$ be an m -accretive set and $f \in L^1(0, T; X)$.

We recall that a function $u : [0, T] \rightarrow X$ is called a strong solution of the initial value problem

$$(2.4) \quad \frac{du(t)}{dt} + Au(t) \ni f(t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq T,$$

$$(2.5) \quad u(0) = u_0$$

if u is differentiable almost everywhere on $[0, T]$, absolutely continuous and satisfies $u(0) = u_0$ and $u'(t) + Au(t) \ni f(t)$ almost everywhere on $[0, T]$. It is well known that the initial value problem (2.4), (2.5) has a unique integral solution on $[0, T]$. Every strong solution of (2.4), (2.5) is also an integral solution of (2.4), (2.5) (see [1] [2]). Moreover, if u and v are two integral solutions of (2.4), (2.5) corresponding to $f \in L^1(0, T; X)$ and $g \in L^1(0, T; X)$ respectively, then

$$(2.6) \quad \|u(t) - v(t)\|^2 \leq \|u(s) - v(s)\|^2$$

$$+ 2 \int_s^t \langle f(\theta) - g(\theta), u(\theta) - v(\theta) \rangle, d\theta$$

for all $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$. From (2.6), we also have that

$$(2.7) \quad \|u(t) - v(t)\| \leq \|u(s) - v(s)\| + \int_s^t \|f(\theta) - g(\theta)\| d\theta$$

for all $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$. For the proof, see [1], [2].

It is well known that each m -accretive set $A \subset X \times X$ generates a nonlinear semigroup of contractions $S(t): \overline{D(A)} \rightarrow \overline{D(A)}$, strongly continuous at the origin (see [1], [5]).

Using (2.7), we verify easily the following lemma (see also [10]).

LEMMA 2.1. *Let $u: [0, T] \rightarrow \overline{D(A)}$ be an integral solution of (2.4), (2.5), $t \in [0, T)$, $s \in (0, T]$, $h \in R_+$ with $t+h \in [0, T]$ and $s-h \in [0, T]$. Then, the following inequalities hold:*

$$(2.8) \quad \|u(t) - u(t+h)\| \leq \|S(h)u_0 - u_0\| + \int_0^h \|f(\theta)\| d\theta \\ + \int_0^t \|f(\theta+h) - f(\theta)\| d\theta$$

and

$$(2.9) \quad \|u(s) - u(s-h)\| \leq \|S(h)u_0 - u_0\| + \int_0^h \|f(\theta)\| d\theta \\ + \int_h^s \|f(\theta-h) - f(\theta)\| d\theta.$$

The following lemma has been obtained by Brezis [4].

LEMMA 2.2. *Let $A \subset X \times X$ be a m -accretive set and $J_\lambda = (I + \lambda A)^{-1}$ for $\lambda > 0$. Then, for every $x \in \overline{D(A)}$, $t > 0$ and $\lambda > 0$, we have the following inequality*

$$(2.10) \quad \|x - J_\lambda x\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{t}\right) \frac{2}{t} \int_0^t \|x - S(\theta)x\| d\theta,$$

and in particular

$$(2.11) \quad \|x - J_t x\| \leq \frac{4}{t} \int_0^t \|x - S(\theta)x\| d\theta.$$

DEFINITION 2.2. *A mapping $F: C(0, a; U) \rightarrow C(0, a; X)$ is*

called L^∞ -bounded if for each $T \in (0, a]$, $v \in C(0, T; U)$ and $r > 0$, there exists $g \in L^\infty(0, T; \mathbb{R}_+)$ such that

$$(2.12) \quad \|F(u)(t)\| \leq g(t) \text{ a.e. on } [0, T]$$

for all $u \in C(0, T; U)$ with $\|u(t) - v(t)\| \leq r$, for $0 \leq t \leq T$.

We conclude this Section with following lemma.

LEMMA 2.3. Let F be L^∞ -bounded and $T \in (0, a]$. Then, for $v \in C(0, T; U)$ and $r > 0$, the following relations:

$$(2.13) \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^t \|F(u)(s) - F(u)(s+h)\| ds = 0, \quad 0 \leq t < T,$$

$$(2.14) \quad \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^T \|F(u)(s) - F(u)(s-h)\| ds = 0, \quad 0 < t \leq T,$$

hold, uniformly with respect to all $u \in C(0, T; U)$ with $\|u(t) - v(t)\| \leq r$ for $0 \leq t \leq T$.

PROOF. This follows directly from Lebesgue convergence theorem.

3. Existence

THEOREM 3.1. Assume that

(C₁) X is a real Banach space and $U \subset X$ is a given open set.

(C₂) $A \subset X \times X$ is a m -accretive set and $(I + \lambda A)^{-1}$ is compact for all $\lambda > 0$

(C₃) $F: C(0, a; U) \rightarrow C(0, a; X)$ is continuous and L^∞ -bounded. Then, for each $u_0 \in \overline{D(A)} \cap U$, there exists $T \in (0, a]$ such that problem (E) has at least one integral solution on $[0, T]$.

REMARK 3.1. We note that in the case in which X is a real reflexive Banach space and $F(u)$ is of bounded variation, where $u \in C(0, a; U)$ is of bounded variation, the integral solution u provided by Theorem 3.1 is a strong solution (see [1] [7]), as well as, in the case in which X is a real refle-

xive Banach space, u is a weak solution (see [1]).

PROOF. Let $u_0 \in \overline{D(A)} \cap U$ and choose $T > 0$, $r > 0$ and $g \in L^\infty(0, T; R_-)$ such that

$$(3.1) \quad B(u_0, r) \subset \overline{D(A)} \cap U,$$

$$(3.2) \quad \|F(u)(t)\| \leq g(t) \text{ a. e. on } [0, T]$$

for all $u \in C(0, T; U)$ with $\|u(t) - u_0\| \leq r$ for $0 \leq t \leq T$ and in addition,

$$(3.3) \quad \int_0^T g(s) ds + \|S(t)u_0 - u_0\| \leq r$$

for all $0 \leq t \leq T$. From condition (C_3) and continuity of $S(t)$ at the origin, we can choose such constants T, r and $g \in L^\infty(0, T; R_-)$. Now we set

$$(3.4) \quad K = \{u \in C(0, T; U); u(t) \in B(u_0, r) \text{ for all } 0 \leq t \leq T\}$$

and we deduce easily that K is nonempty, convex and closed in $C(0, T; X)$. Let $v \in K$. Then, by Benilan's existence and uniqueness theorem, the initial value problem

$$(3.5) \quad \frac{du(t)}{dt} + Au(t) \ni F(v)(t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq T,$$

$$(3.6) \quad u(0) = u_0$$

has a unique integral solution $u \in C(0, T; X)$. Therefore we define the operator $Q: K \rightarrow C(0, T; X)$ by $Qv = u$, where u and v satisfy together (3.5), (3.6). Now let us observe that the problem (E) has at least one integral solution if and only if the operator Q has at least one fixed point. Thus it suffices to show the operator Q maps K into K and is completely continuous. To this end, we apply (2.7) to Qv and to the solution w of the problem

$$(3.7) \quad \frac{dw(t)}{dt} + Aw(t) \ni 0, \quad 0 \leq t \leq T,$$

$$(3.8) \quad w(0) = u_0$$

Since the integral solution of (3.7), (3.8) is expressed as

$$(3.9) \quad w(t) = S(t)u_0,$$

we obtain from (2.7)

$$(3.10) \quad \|(Qv)(t) - S(t)u_0\| \leq \int_0^t \|F(v)(s)\| ds.$$

Combining (3.10) with

$$(3.11) \quad \|(Qv)(t) - u_0\| \leq \|(Qv)(t) - S(t)u_0\| + \|S(t)u_0 - u_0\|,$$

we get from (3.2)

$$(3.12) \quad \|(Qv)(t) - u_0\| \leq \int_0^t g(s) ds + \|S(t)u_0 - u_0\|,$$

which in view of (3.3) implies

$$(3.13) \quad \|(Qv)(t) - u_0\| \leq r \text{ for all } 0 \leq t \leq T$$

But (3.13) show that $QK \subset K$. It is easy to show that Q is continuous on K in the uniform convergence topology (see [9]). To conclude that Q is completely continuous, we shall use Ascoli's theorem. First we show that the family $\{Qv : v \in K\}$ is equicontinuous on $[0, T]$. Using Lemma 2.1, we get

$$(3.14) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|(Qv)(t) - (Qv)(t+h)\| \\ & \leq \|S(h)u_0 - u_0\| + \int_0^h \|F(v)(s)\| ds \\ & \quad + \int_0^t \|F(v)(s) - F(v)(s+h)\| ds \end{aligned}$$

for each $0 \leq t < T$ and $h > 0$. From (3.2), we deduce

$$(3.15) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|(Qv)(t) - (Qv)(t+h)\| \\ & \leq \|S(h)u_0 - u_0\| + \int_0^h g(s) ds \\ & \quad + \int_0^t \|F(v)(s) - F(v)(s+h)\| ds. \end{aligned}$$

In a similar manner we get, for each $0 < t \leq T$ and $0 < h \leq t$,

$$(3.16) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|(Qv)(t) - (Qv)(t-h)\| \\ & \leq \|S(h)u_0 - u_0\| + \int_0^h g(s) ds \\ & \quad + \int_h^t \|F(v)(s) - F(v)(s-h)\| ds. \end{aligned}$$

Considering (2.13) and (2.14) in Lemma 2.3 and the continuity of the semigroup $S(t)$ at the origin, we obtain from

(3.15), (3.16) the equicontinuity of the family $\{Qv; v \in K\}$. Next we show that for each $0 \leq t \leq T$, the set $\{(Qv)(t); v \in K\}$ is precompact in X . Obviously for $t=0$, the set above being a singleton $\{u_0\}$ is precompact. Then, let $0 < t \leq T$ and $0 < \theta < t$, $v \in K$ and consider the following initial value problem

$$(3.17) \quad \frac{dv^{\theta}(s)}{ds} + Av^{\theta}(s) \ni 0, \quad t - \theta \leq s \leq t + \theta,$$

$$(3.18) \quad v^{\theta}(t - \theta) = (Qv)(t - \theta).$$

Applying (2.7) to v^{θ} and to Qv on $[t - \theta, t]$, we get

$$(3.19) \quad \|(Qv)(t) - v^{\theta}(t)\| \leq \int_{t-\theta}^t \|F(v)(r)\| dr.$$

From (3.2) and (3.19), it follows that

$$(3.20) \quad \|(Qv)(t) - v^{\theta}(t)\| \leq \int_{t-\theta}^t g(r) dr.$$

Now by the inequality (2.10) of Lemma 2.2, we get

$$(3.21) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|(Qv)(t) - J_{\lambda}(Qv)(t)\| \\ & \leq \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{s}\right) \frac{2}{s} \int_0^s \|(Qv)(t) - S(\theta)(Qv)(t)\| d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Let us observe that

$$(3.22) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|(Qv)(t) - S(\theta)(Qv)(t)\| \\ & \leq \|(Qv)(t) - S(\theta)(Qv)(t - \theta)\| \\ & \quad + \|S(\theta)(Qv)(t - \theta) - S(\theta)(Qv)(t)\| \end{aligned}$$

for all $0 < \theta < t$. In view of the equality

$$(3.23) \quad S(\theta)(Qv)(t - \theta) = v^{\theta}(t),$$

we get from (3.20) and (3.23)

$$(3.24) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|(Qv)(t) - S(\theta)(Qv)(t)\| \\ & \leq \|(Qv)(t) - v^{\theta}(t)\| + \|S(\theta)(Qv)(t - \theta) - S(\theta)(Qv)(t)\| \\ & \leq \int_{t-\theta}^t g(r) dr + \|(Qv)(t - \theta) - (Qv)(t)\|. \end{aligned}$$

Using (3.24), we get from (3.21) for $\lambda = s \in (0, t)$,

$$(3.25) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|(Qv)(t) - J_{\lambda}(Qv)(t)\| \\ & \leq 4 \int_{t-\lambda}^t g(r) dr + \frac{4}{\lambda} \int_0^{\lambda} \|(Qv)(t - \theta) - (Qv)(t)\| d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

As family $\{Qv: v \in K\}$ is equicontinuous at each $0 \leq t \leq T$, it follows that

$$(3.26) \quad \|(Qv)(t-\theta) - (Qv)(t)\| \leq \varepsilon(\theta),$$

where $\varepsilon(h)$ is nondecreasing and $\varepsilon(h) \rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$. Thus from (3.25) and (3.26), we obtain

$$(3.27) \quad \|(Qv)(t) - J_\lambda(Qv)(t)\| \leq 4\left(\int_{t-\lambda}^t g(r)dr + \varepsilon(\lambda)\right).$$

Since $J_\lambda = (I + \lambda A)^{-1}$ is compact by (C_2) and $\{(Qv)(t); v \in K\}$ is bounded for all $0 \leq t \leq T$, we conclude from (3.27) that the set $\{(Qv)(t) : v \in K\}$ is precompact in X for all $0 \leq t \leq T$. Therefore by Ascoli's theorem QK is relatively compact in $C(0, T; X)$, which complete the completely continuity of Q .

Finally, to prove Theorem 3.1 we have only to mention that the operator Q satisfies the hypotheses of Schauder's fixed point theorem, and thus Q has at least one fixed point $u \in K$, which is an integral solution of the problem (E).

COROLLARY 3.1. *Assume that X is a real finite dimensional Hilbert space, $A \subset X \times X$ is a m -accretive set and (C_3) is satisfied. Then, for each $u_0 \in \overline{D(A)} \cap U$ there exists $T > 0$ such that the problem (E) has at least one strong solution on $[0, T]$.*

PROOF. As X is finite dimensional and $A \subset X \times X$ is a m -accretive set, it follows that the operator $J_\lambda = (I + \lambda A)^{-1}$ is compact for all $\lambda > 0$ and therefore we are in the hypotheses of Theorem 3.1. Now we have to remark that in the case in which X is finite dimensional Hilbert space, each integral solution is a strong solution (see [3]).

4. Continuation of solution, example

In this section, we shall give a result about the continuation of solution and an example which is an application of

our results.

THEOREM 4.1. Assume that (C_1) , (C_2) and (C_3) are satisfied. Then, for each $u_0 \in \overline{D(A)} \cap U$, there exists an integral solution u of (E) defined on a maximal interval of existence $[0, T_{max})$, where either $T_{max} = a$ or if $T_{max} < a$, then $\|u(t)\| \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \uparrow T_{max}$.

PROOF. Let $u(t)$ be an integral solution of problem (E) on $[0, t_1]$. We extend $u(t)$ to the interval $[0, t_1 + \delta]$ with by defining

$$u(t + t_1) = w(t),$$

where $w(t)$ is an integral solution of the problem

$$(4.1) \quad \frac{dw(t)}{dt} + Aw(t) \ni F(w)(t),$$

$$(4.2) \quad w(0) = u(t_1).$$

From Theorem 3.1, there exists an integral solution $w(t)$ on an interval of positive length $\delta > 0$. Let $[0, T_{max})$ be the maximal interval to which the integral solution $u(t)$ of problem (E) can be extended. Now we shall prove that if $T_{max} < a$, then $\|u(t)\| \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \uparrow T_{max}$. First we show that if $T_{max} < a$, then $\limsup_{t \uparrow T_{max}} \|u(t)\| = \infty$. To this end, assume that if $T_{max} < a$, $\limsup_{t \uparrow T_{max}} \|u(t)\| < \infty$. Then there exists $K > 0$ such that for $0 \leq t < T_{max}$,

$$(4.3) \quad \|u(t)\| \leq K.$$

and by our assumption on function F , there exists $g \in L^\infty(0, T_{max}; \mathbb{R}_+)$ such that

$$(4.4) \quad \|F(u)(t)\| \leq g(t) \text{ a. e. on } [0, T_{max}].$$

If $0 < t < t' < T_{max}$, then we have from (2.6) that

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \|u(t') - u(t)\|^2 &\leq 2 \int_t^{t'} \langle F(u)(\theta) - y, u(\theta) - u(t) \rangle d\theta \\ &\leq 2 \int_t^{t'} \|F(u)(\theta) - y\| \|u(\theta) - u(t)\| d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 4K \int_t^{t'} (||Fu(\theta)|| + |Au(\theta)|) d\theta \\
&\leq 4K [||g||_{L^\infty(0, T_{\max}; R_+)} (t' - t) \\
&\quad + \int_t^{t'} |Au(\theta)| d\theta],
\end{aligned}$$

where $(u(t), y) \in A$. From (4.5) we get $||u(t') - u(t)|| \rightarrow 0$ as $t', t \uparrow T_{\max}$. Thus $\lim_{t \uparrow T_{\max}} u(t) = u(T_{\max})$ exists and by the first

part of the proof, the solution u can be extended beyond T_{\max} , contradicting the maximality of T_{\max} . Therefore the assumption $T_{\max} < a$ implies $\limsup_{t \uparrow T_{\max}} ||u(t)|| = \infty$. To complete

the proof, we show that $||u(t)|| \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \uparrow T_{\max}$. If it is false, then there exist $K > 0$ and a sequence $\{t_n\}$ such that $t_n \uparrow T_{\max}$ and for all n and $x \in D(A)$,

$$(4.6) \quad ||u(t_n) - x||^2 \leq K.$$

We also deduce that

$$(4.7) \quad ||F(u)(t)|| + |Ax| \leq g(t) + M \text{ a. e. on } [t, T_{\max}]$$

for some $g \in L^\infty(0, T_{\max}; R_+)$ and some $M > 0$. Since $t \mapsto ||u(t) - x||$ is continuous and $\limsup_{t \uparrow T_{\max}} ||u(t)|| = \infty$, there exists

a sequence $\{h_n\}$ with the following properties: $h_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$(4.8) \quad ||u(t) - x||^2 \leq K + 1$$

for $t_n \leq t \leq t_n + h_n$, and

$$(4.9) \quad ||u(t_n + h_n) - x||^2 = K + 1.$$

Then we have from (2.6)

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.10) \quad K + 1 &= ||u(t_n + h_n) - x||^2 \\
&\leq ||u(t_n) - x||^2 + 2 \int_{t_n}^{t_n + h_n} \langle F(u)(\theta) - y, u(\theta) - x \rangle d\theta \\
&\leq K + 2 \int_{t_n}^{t_n + h_n} ||F(u)(\theta) - y|| ||u(\theta) - x|| d\theta \\
&\leq K + 2 \sqrt{K + 1} (||g||_{L^\infty(0, T_{\max}; R_+)} + M) h_n,
\end{aligned}$$

where $(x, y) \in A$. This gives a contraction as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus we conclude that $\|u(t)\| \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \uparrow T_{n^*}$, which completes the proof of Theorem 4.1.

We note that each continuous function $f: [0, a] \times U \rightarrow X$ generates a unique continuous function $F: C(0, a; U) \rightarrow C(0, a; X)$. Thus we obtain the following.

COROLLARY 4.1. *Assume that (C_1) and (C_2) are satisfied and in addition that $f: [0, \infty) \times U \rightarrow X$ is a continuous mapping. Assume further that*

$$(4.11) \quad \|f(t, x)\| \leq K_1(t)\|x\| + K_2$$

for each $(t, x) \in [0, \infty) \times U$, where $K_1 \in L_{loc}^\infty(0, \infty; \mathbb{R})$ and $K_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, for each $u_0 \in \overline{D(A)} \cap U$, there exists an integral solution of (E) defined on the whole positive half axis.

PROOF. From (4.11), it is easy to show that a function F generated by f is L^∞ -bounded, and hence, by Theorem 4.1, the Corollary follows.

EXAMPLE 4.1. Let Ω be a bounded open subset of \mathbb{R}^n with sufficiently smooth boundary Γ . Let $W^{r,p}(\Omega)$, $W_0^{r,p}(\Omega)$, $H^k(\Omega)$ and $H_0^k(\Omega)$ stand for Sobolev spaces on Ω .

We consider a nonlinear differential operator of the form

$$(4.12) \quad Au = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} (-1)^\alpha D^\alpha A_\alpha(x, u, Du, \dots, D^m u),$$

where $A_\alpha(x, z)$ are real functions defined on $\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^m$ and satisfy the following conditions:

(I) A_α are measurable in x and continuous in z for all α .

There exist $p > 1$, $g \in L^q(\Omega)$ ($\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$) and a positive constant C such that

$$(4.13) \quad |A_\alpha(x, z)| \leq C(|z|^{p-1} + g(x)) \text{ a. e. } x \in \Omega.$$

(II) For any $(y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m$ and for almost every $x \in \Omega$,

the following inequality holds:

$$(4.14) \quad \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} (A_\alpha(x, z) - A_\alpha(x, y))(z_\alpha - y_\alpha) \geq w \left(\sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} |z_\alpha - y_\alpha|^2 \right),$$

where $w > 0$.

We recall that the operator $A: W_0^{m, \delta}(\Omega) \rightarrow W^{-m, \delta}(\Omega)$ defined by

$$(4.15) \quad (Au, v) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} \int_{\Omega} A_\alpha(x, u, Du, \dots, D^m u) D^\alpha v dx$$

for $u, v \in W_0^{m, q}(\Omega)$, is monotone and demicontinuous and

$$(4.16) \quad \|Au\|_{-m, q} \leq C(1 + \|u\|_{m, \delta}^{p-1})$$

(see [1]).

Now we consider the nonlinear boundary value problem of the parabolic type

$$(4.17) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} (-1)^\alpha D^\alpha A_\alpha(x, u, Du, \dots, D^m u) = f$$

with Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$(4.18) \quad D^\alpha u = 0 \text{ on } [0, T] \times \Gamma \text{ for } |\alpha| \leq m-1$$

and initial condition

$$(4.19) \quad u(0, x) = u_0(x) \text{ on } \Omega.$$

THEOREM 4.2. *Let $H = L^2(\Omega)$, $V = H_0^m(\Omega)$ and $A: H_0^m(\Omega) \rightarrow H^{-m}(\Omega)$ be the nonlinear operator defined above. Let $f: [0, \infty) \times H \rightarrow H$ be a continuous function. Then, for $u_0 \in H$, there exists $T > 0$ such that (4.17), (4.18), (4.19) has at least one integral solution on $[0, T]$.*

PROOF. Let A_H be a operator defined by

$$(4.20) \quad A_H u = Au$$

for $u \in D(A_H) = \{u \in V: Au \in H\}$. Then A_H is a m -accretive operator on H (see [1], [9]). Now let us remark that (4.17), (4.18), (4.19) can be rewritten in the form

$$(4.21) \quad \frac{du(t)}{dt} + A_H(t) = F(u)(t),$$

$$(4.22) \quad u(0) = u_0,$$

where

$$(4.23) \quad F(u)(t) = f(t, u(t)).$$

Since A_H is coercive by (II) and the inclusion mapping from V into H is completely continuous, we can show that $(I + \lambda A_H)^{-1}$ is compact for $\lambda > 0$. It is easy to see that for each $T > 0$, $F: C(0, T; H) \rightarrow C(0, T; H)$ is continuous. Since $f(t, u(t)) \in H$ for any $u \in C(0, T; H)$, it is obvious that F is L^∞ -bounded. Therefore by applying Theorem 3.1, we obtain the conclusion of Theorem 4.2.

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