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An Optimal Control Problem for the Heat Equation

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An optimal control problem for the heat equation with constrained boundary condition as control function is considered. The constraints on the control are of L_2 -type and the cost functional is quadratic. A constructive method for finding an ε -solution is developed. The uniqueness of the solution and its dependence on the problem data are studied.

1. Introduction

Let $l > 0$, $T > 0$ be given and $Q_T = (0, l) \times (0, T)$. For any given $\varphi(t) \in L_2(0, T)$ we denote by $u(x, t; \varphi)$ the solution of the following boundary-value problem for the heat equation

$$\begin{aligned} u_t(x, t; \varphi) - u_{xx}(x, t; \varphi) &= 0, & (x, t) \in Q_T \\ u_x(0, t; \varphi) &= 0; \quad u_x(l, t; \varphi) = \varphi(t) & t \in (0, T) \\ u(x, 0; \varphi) &= 0, & x \in (0, l). \end{aligned}$$

According to [2] $u(x, t_0; \varphi) \in L_2(0, l)$ for each $t_0 \in [0, T]$. Using remark 8.7 on p. 199 in [11] we have

$$(1) \quad u(x, t; \varphi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{l}} \cdot \left\{ \int_0^t \varphi(\tau) d\tau \right\} \cdot v_1(x) + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{l}} \cdot \left\{ \int_0^t \varphi(\tau) e^{\lambda_k(t-\tau)} d\tau \right\} \cdot v_k(x),$$

where λ_k are the eigenvalues and $v_k(x)$ are the eigenfunctions of the elliptic problem

$$v''(x) - \lambda \cdot v(x) = 0,$$

$$v'(0) = v'(l) = 0,$$

i. e.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= 0, & \lambda_k &= -(k-1)^2 \pi^2 / l^2 & \text{for } k = 2, 3, \dots, \\ v_1(x) &= 1/\sqrt{l}, & v_k(x) &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{l}} \cos(k-1) \frac{\pi x}{l} & \text{for } k = 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned}$$

It is well-known that $\{v_k(\cdot)\}_{k=1}^\infty$ form an orthonormal basis of $L_2(0, l)$.

We shall use the following notations:

– \mathbf{N} – the set of the natural numbers;

– $[A\varphi](x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} u(x, T; \varphi)$ for any given $\varphi(t) \in L_2(0, T)$. It follows from (1) that

$$(2) \quad [A\varphi](x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{l}} \left\{ \int_0^T \varphi(T-t) dt \right\} \cdot v_1(x) + \sum_{k=2}^\infty (-1)^{k-1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{l}} \left\{ \int_0^T \varphi(T-t) e^{\lambda_k t} dt \right\} \cdot v_k(x)$$

– $B_1^T = \{\varphi(t) \in L_2(0, T); \|\varphi\|_{L_2(0, T)} \leq 1\}$ – the closed unit ball of $L_2(0, T)$
 – $A(B_1^T) = \{f(x) \in L_2(0, l); f(x) = [A\varphi](x), \varphi(t) \in B_1^T\}$ – the image of B_1^T

$$(3) \quad H = \text{cl} \{ \text{span} \{ e^{\lambda_k t} \}_{k=1}^\infty \} \subset L_2(0, T),$$

i.e. H is the smallest closed subspace of $L_2(0, T)$, containing the set $\{e^{\lambda_k t}\}_{k=1}^\infty$. Since $\sum_{k=2}^\infty 1/|\lambda_k| < \infty$, we have $L_2(0, T) \setminus H \neq \emptyset$ (cf. [3], [4], [8]). Since H is closed in $L_2(0, T)$, it is a Hilbert space endowed with the scalar product of $L_2(0, T)$.

– $\{\psi_k(t)\}_{k=1}^\infty$ – the set of functions obtained after orthonormalizing the set $\{e^{\lambda_k t}\}_{k=1}^\infty$ by the Gramm-Schmidt method. We have

$$(4) \quad e^{\lambda_k t} = \sum_{i=1}^k a_{ki} \cdot \psi_i(t) \quad \text{for each } k \in \mathbf{N},$$

where $a_{kk} \neq 0$ for each $k \in \mathbf{N}$.

– $l_2 = \{\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots); x_i \in \mathbf{R} \text{ for each } i \in \mathbf{N} \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^\infty x_i^2 < \infty\}$;

– $(\vec{x}, \vec{y})_{l_2} = \sum_{i=1}^\infty x_i y_i$ – the scalar product of l_2 ;

– $B_1 = \{\vec{x} \in l_2; \|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1\}$ – the closed unit ball of l_2 ;

– $\vec{x}^n = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n$ for each $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots) \in l_2$;

– $(\vec{x}, \vec{y})_{\mathbf{R}^n} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$ for each $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n$ and $\vec{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n$;

(5) – $c_k(\varphi) = \int_0^T \varphi(t) \cdot e^{\lambda_k t} dt$ for each $\varphi(\cdot) \in L_2(0, T)$ and each $k \in \mathbf{N}$;

(6) – $\vec{c}(\varphi) = (c_1(\varphi), c_2(\varphi), \dots, c_n(\varphi), \dots)$ for each $\varphi(\cdot) \in L_2(0, T)$.

Since $\sum_{k=2}^\infty 1/|\lambda_k| < \infty$, we have $\vec{c}(\varphi) \in l_2$ for each $\varphi(\cdot) \in L_2(0, T)$;

(7) – $U_F = \{\vec{c}(\varphi); \varphi \in F\}$ for each subset F of $L_2(0, T)$;

– $(f, g)_{L_2(0, l)} = \int_0^l f(x) \cdot g(x) dx$ – the scalar product of $L_2(0, l)$;

– $\text{Is}_1[f(\cdot)] = ((f, v_1)_{L_2(0, l)}, \dots, (f, v_n)_{L_2(0, l)}, \dots) \in l_2$ for each $f(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$.

Since $\{v_k(\cdot)\}_{k=1}^\infty$ form an orthonormal basis of $L_2(0, l)$, the mapping $Is_1 : L_2(0, l) \rightarrow l_2$ is an isomorphism between $L_2(0, l)$ and l_2 , i.e. the mapping $Is_1^{-1}(\vec{x})$ is well defined for each $\vec{x} \in l_2$.

— $Is_2[\varphi(\cdot)] = ((\varphi, \psi_1)_{L_2(0, T)}, \dots, (\varphi, \psi_n)_{L_2(0, T)}, \dots) \in l_2$ for each $\varphi(\cdot) \in H$. Since $\{\psi_k(\cdot)\}_{k=1}^\infty$ form an orthonormal basis of H , the mapping $Is_2 : H \rightarrow l_2$ is an isomorphism between H and l_2 , i.e. the mapping $Is_2^{-1}(\vec{x})$ is well defined for each $\vec{x} \in l_2$.

— $Pr_K x$ — the metric projection of $x \in X$ on $K \subset X$, where X is a Hilbert space, K is closed convex subset of X , and $\|\cdot\|_X$ is the norm in X , i.e. $\|Pr_K x - x\|_X = \min_{z \in K} \|z - x\|_X$.

2. Statement of the problem and finite-dimensional approximation

For any given $y(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$ let us denote $J(\varphi, y) = \int_0^l |u(x, T; \varphi) - y(x)|^2 dx$. Here we are interested in the problem

(P0) given $y(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$, minimize $J(\varphi, y)$ over the closed unit ball of $L_2(0, T)$

and in a constructive method for finding an ε -solution to it. So, denoting $I(y) = \inf_{\|\varphi\|_{L_2(0, T)} \leq 1} J(\varphi, y)$, we have the problem

(P1) given $y(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, find $\varphi_{\varepsilon, y}(\cdot)$ from the closed unit ball of $L_2(0, T)$, such that $J(\varphi_{\varepsilon, y}, y) < I(y) + \varepsilon$.

Lemma 2.1. Let $\vec{f}_i = (\alpha_{i1}, \alpha_{i2}, \dots, \alpha_{i, i-1}, \alpha_{ii}, 0, 0, \dots) \in l_2$, where $\alpha_{ii} \neq 0$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$M_n = \begin{pmatrix} (\vec{f}_1, \vec{f}_1)_{l_2} & (\vec{f}_1, \vec{f}_2)_{l_2} & \dots & (\vec{f}_1, \vec{f}_n)_{l_2} \\ (\vec{f}_2, \vec{f}_1)_{l_2} & (\vec{f}_2, \vec{f}_2)_{l_2} & \dots & (\vec{f}_2, \vec{f}_n)_{l_2} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ (\vec{f}_n, \vec{f}_1)_{l_2} & (\vec{f}_n, \vec{f}_2)_{l_2} & \dots & (\vec{f}_n, \vec{f}_n)_{l_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $b_i(\vec{x}) = (\vec{x}, \vec{f}_i)_{l_2}$ for each $\vec{x} \in l_2$ and $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $\vec{b}^n(\vec{x}) = (b_1(\vec{x}), b_2(\vec{x}), \dots, b_n(\vec{x})) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1$ if $(M_n^{-1} \vec{b}^n(\vec{x}), \vec{b}^n(\vec{x}))_{\mathbb{R}^n} > 0$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be fixed and $\vec{f}_i^n = (\alpha_{i1}, \alpha_{i2}, \dots, \alpha_{ii}, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Since $\alpha_{ii} \neq 0$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$, $\{\vec{f}_i^n\}_{i=1}^n$ form a basis in \mathbb{R}^n . Hence, because of $(\vec{f}_i, \vec{f}_j)_{l_2} = (\vec{f}_i^n, \vec{f}_j^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq n$, the matrix M_n^{-1} is well defined.

Let $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \in l_2$. Then $\vec{x}^n = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \vec{f}_i^n$ and for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ we have

$$b_j(\vec{x}) = (\vec{x}, \vec{f}_j)_{l_2} = (\vec{x}^n, \vec{f}_j^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \vec{f}_i^n, \vec{f}_j^n \right)_{\mathbb{R}^n} = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i (\vec{f}_i^n, \vec{f}_j^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n}.$$

Hence, $\vec{b}^n(\vec{x}) = M_n \vec{\xi}$, where $\vec{\xi} = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, i.e. $\vec{\xi} = M_n^{-1} \vec{b}^n(\vec{x})$. But

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = \|\vec{x}^n\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}^2 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \vec{f}_i^n, \sum_{j=1}^n \xi_j \vec{f}_j^n \right)_{\mathbb{R}^n} = (M_n \vec{\xi}, \vec{\xi})_{\mathbb{R}^n} = (M_n^{-1} \vec{b}^n(\vec{x}), \vec{b}^n(\vec{x}))_{\mathbb{R}^n},$$

i.e. for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \leq 1$ iff $(M_n^{-1} \vec{b}^n(\vec{x}), \vec{b}^n(\vec{x}))_{\mathbb{R}^n} \leq 1$, which proves the lemma.

Corollary. *Let*

$$\widehat{M}_n = \begin{pmatrix} \int_0^T e^{\lambda_1 t} \cdot e^{\lambda_1 t} dt & \int_0^T e^{\lambda_1 t} \cdot e^{\lambda_2 t} dt & \dots & \int_0^T e^{\lambda_1 t} \cdot e^{\lambda_n t} dt \\ 0 & 0 & & 0 \\ \int_0^T e^{\lambda_2 t} \cdot e^{\lambda_1 t} dt & \int_0^T e^{\lambda_2 t} \cdot e^{\lambda_2 t} dt & & \int_0^T e^{\lambda_2 t} \cdot e^{\lambda_n t} dt \\ 0 & 0 & & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \int_0^T e^{\lambda_n t} \cdot e^{\lambda_1 t} dt & \int_0^T e^{\lambda_n t} \cdot e^{\lambda_2 t} dt & \dots & \int_0^T e^{\lambda_n t} \cdot e^{\lambda_n t} dt \end{pmatrix}$$

for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $V_n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \in l_2; (\widehat{M}_n^{-1} \vec{x}^n, \vec{x}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} \leq 1\} \subset l_2$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$(8) \quad U_{B_1^T} = U_{\{\varphi(t) \in H; \|\varphi\|_H \leq 1\}} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} V_n,$$

where $U_{B_1^T}$ is defined by (7).

Proof. It follows immediately from (5), (6), and (7) that $U_{B_1^T} = U_{\{\varphi(t) \in H; \|\varphi\|_H \leq 1\}}$. Using (4) and the mapping $Is_2 : H \rightarrow l_2$ we finish the proof by directly applying lemma 2.1.

Lemma 2.2. Let $E_1 = 1/\sqrt{l}$ and

$$\begin{matrix}
 & 1/\sqrt{l} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\
 E_n = & 0 & -\sqrt{2}/\sqrt{l} & \dots & 0 \\
 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\
 & 0 & 0 & \dots & (-1)^{n-1}\sqrt{2}/\sqrt{l} & \text{for } n \geq 2,
 \end{matrix}$$

(9) $W_n = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \in l_2; ([E_n \hat{M}_n E_n]^{-1} \vec{x}^n, \vec{x}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} \leq 1\}$

for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and

$$W_\infty = \{\vec{x} \in l_2; \vec{x} = \text{Is}_1[f(\cdot)] \text{ for some } f(\cdot) \in A(B_1^T)\}.$$

Then $W_\infty = \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty W_n$.

Proof. Let $\vec{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n, \dots) \in W_\infty$. Then, according to (2) and (5), there exists $\varphi(t) \in B_1^T$, such that $\theta_1 = c_1(\hat{\varphi})/\sqrt{l}$, $\theta_n = (-1)^{n-1}\sqrt{2}c_n(\hat{\varphi})/\sqrt{l}$ for $n \geq 2$, where $\hat{\varphi}(t) = \varphi(T-t) \in B_1^T$. Hence, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $\vec{\theta}^n = E_n \vec{c}^n(\hat{\varphi})$, i.e. $\vec{c}^n(\hat{\varphi}) = E_n^{-1} \vec{\theta}^n$. It follows from (8) that $(\hat{M}_n^{-1} E_n^{-1} \vec{\theta}^n, E_n^{-1} \vec{\theta}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} \leq 1$ holds true for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e. $([E_n \hat{M}_n E_n]^{-1} \vec{\theta}^n, \vec{\theta}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} \leq 1$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus $\vec{\theta} \in W_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e. $W_\infty \subset \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty W_n$.

Now let $\vec{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n, \dots) \in \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty W_n$. Let $c_1 = \sqrt{l} \cdot \theta_1$ and $c_n = (-1)^{n-1} \times \theta_n \sqrt{l}/\sqrt{2}$ for $n \geq 2$, i.e. $\vec{c}^n = E_n^{-1} \vec{\theta}^n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$(\hat{M}_n^{-1} \vec{c}^n, \vec{c}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} = (\hat{M}_n^{-1} E_n^{-1} \vec{\theta}^n, E_n^{-1} \vec{\theta}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} = ([E_n \hat{M}_n E_n]^{-1} \vec{\theta}^n, \vec{\theta}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} \leq 1$$

for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Because of (8) there exists $\hat{\varphi}(t) \in B_1^T$ such that $\vec{c} = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n, \dots) = \vec{c}(\hat{\varphi})$ ($\vec{c}(\hat{\varphi})$ is defined by (6)). Let $\varphi(t) = \hat{\varphi}(T-t) \in B_1^T$ and $\theta(x) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty \theta_i \cdot v_i(x)$. Then (2) yields $[A\varphi](x) = \theta(x)$, i.e. $\vec{\theta} \in W_\infty$. Thus $W_\infty \supset \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty W_n$.

Lemma 2.3. Let W_n be defined by (9). Then $W_n \supset W_{n+1}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. Let $\vec{c} = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n, \dots) \in l_2$ be fixed and let $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \in l_2$ be defined by

$$\begin{matrix}
 a_{11}x_1 & = & c_1 \\
 a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 & = & c_2 \\
 \dots & & \dots \\
 a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n & = & c_n \\
 \dots & & \dots
 \end{matrix}$$

where $\{a_{ij}\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \}_{j=1}^i$ are the coefficients in (3). Then as in the proof of lemma 2.1 we obtain $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = (\hat{M}_n^{-1} \vec{c}^n, \vec{c}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence $(\hat{M}_{n+1}^{-1} \vec{c}^{n+1}, \vec{c}^{n+1})_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i^2 \geq \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = (\hat{M}_n^{-1} \vec{c}^n, \vec{c}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ for each $\vec{c} \in l_2$. Thus $W_n \supset W_{n+1}$ because of (9).

Lemma 2.4. *The set W_n defined by (9) is a closed convex subset of l_2 .*

Proof. This fact is clear because the matrix \hat{M}_n^{-1} is positive for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Let $\hat{W}_n = \{f(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l); f(\cdot) = \text{Is}_1^{-1}(\vec{x}) \text{ for some } \vec{x} \in W_n\} \subset L_2(0, l)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Lemmata 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 yield

- i) $A(B_1^T) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{W}_n$;
- (10) ii) $\hat{W}_n \supset \hat{W}_{n+1}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$;
- iii) \hat{W}_n is closed convex subset of $L_2(0, l)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

It follows immediately from (10) that the sequence of sets W_n converges in the sense of Mosco to the set $A(B_1^T)$ (cf. Definition 3 on p.403 in [6]). In particular i) and iii) yield that $A(B_1^T)$ is closed convex subset of $L_2(0, l)$. Hence, for each $y(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$, $\|\text{Pr}_{\hat{W}_n} y(\cdot) - \text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ (theorem 4 on p.403 in [6]).

Let us denote $y^n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n (y, v_k)_{L_2(0,l)} \cdot v_k(x)$ for each $y(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$. Since $\|y^n(\cdot) - y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ and $\|\text{Pr}_K x - \text{Pr}_{Ky}\|_X \leq \|x - y\|_X$ for each $x, y \in X$, where X is a Hilbert space and K is a closed convex subset of X (cf., e. g. [10]), we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\text{Pr}_{\hat{W}_n} y^n(\cdot) - \text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)} \leq \|\text{Pr}_{\hat{W}_n} y^n(\cdot) - \text{Pr}_{\hat{W}_n} y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)} \\ & + \|\text{Pr}_{\hat{W}_n} y(\cdot) - \text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)} \leq \|y^n(\cdot) - y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)} \\ & + \|\text{Pr}_{\hat{W}_n} y(\cdot) - \text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0. \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$(11) \quad \|\text{Pr}_{\hat{W}_n} y^n(\cdot) - y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)}^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot) - y(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,l)}^2 = I(y).$$

Since $(y^n, v_k)_{L_2(0,l)} = (y, v_k)_{L_2(0,l)}$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $(y^n, v_k)_{L_2(0,l)} = 0$ for $k \geq n+1$, the problem of computing $\text{Pr}_{\hat{W}_n} y^n(\cdot)$ is finite-dimensional, namely

find the projection of the point $((y, v_1)_{L_2(0,l)}, \dots, (y, v_n)_{L_2(0,l)}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ on the set $W_n^* = \{\vec{x}^n = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n; ([E_n \hat{M}_n E_n]^{-1} \vec{x}^n, \vec{x}^n)_{\mathbb{R}^n} \leq 1\}$.

Let $(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) \in W_n^*$ be the solution of this problem, i.e.

$$(12) \quad [\text{Pr}_{\tilde{W}_n} y^n(\cdot)](x) = \sum_{k=1}^n v_k \cdot v_k(x).$$

Using the method developed in [1], §3 we can find a function $\hat{\phi}(t) \in H$, such that $\int_0^T \hat{\phi}(t) dt = v_1 \sqrt{l}$, $\int_0^T \hat{\phi}(t) e^{\lambda k t} dt = (-1)^{k-1} v_k \cdot \sqrt{l} / \sqrt{2}$ for $k=2, 3, \dots, n$, $\int_0^T \hat{\phi}(t) e^{\lambda k t} dt = 0$ for $k \geq n+1$. Let $\varphi_{y,n}(t) = \hat{\phi}(T-t)$. Then (2) and (12) yield

$$(13) \quad [A\varphi_{y,n}](x) = \sum_{k=1}^n v_k, \quad v_k(x) = [\text{Pr}_{\tilde{W}_n} y^n(\cdot)](x).$$

It is easily seen that $\varphi_{y,n} \in B_1^T$. Because of (13) we can rewrite (11) as

$$J(\varphi_{y,n}, y) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} I(y).$$

Thus, when solving (P1), we may take $\varphi_{y,n}$ for sufficiently large n as $\varphi_{\varepsilon,y}$, i.e. as an ε -solution to the problem (P0).

3. Uniqueness of the solution to the problem (P0)

Lemma 3.1. Let H be defined by (3) and

$$(14) \quad H_1 = \{\varphi(t) \in L_2(0, T); \hat{\varphi}(t) = \varphi(T-t) \in H\}.$$

Then (P0) has unique solution belonging to H_1 .

Proof. The function $\varphi(t) \in B_1^T$ is solution of (P0) iff $[A\varphi](x) = [\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)](x)$. Let $\eta(t) \in B_1^T$ be a solution of (P0) and $\hat{\eta}(t) = \eta(T-t)$. Let $\hat{\mu}(t) \in H$ be such that $\|\hat{\mu}(\cdot) - \hat{\eta}(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,T)} = \min_{\varphi(\cdot) \in H} \|\varphi(\cdot) - \hat{\eta}(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0,T)}$. Then $\mu(t) = \hat{\mu}(T-t) \in H_1$ and $(\hat{\eta} - \hat{\mu}, \varphi)_{L_2(0,T)} = 0$ for each $\varphi(\cdot) \in H$, i.e. $(\eta - \mu, \varphi)_{L_2(0,T)} = 0$ for each $\varphi(\cdot) \in H_1$. Because of (2) $[A\mu](x) = [A\eta](x) = [\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)](x)$, i.e. $\mu(t)$ is the unique solution of (P0) belonging to H_1 .

Lemma 3.2. The set $\Xi_1 = \{f(x) \in L_2(0, l); f(x) = [A\varphi](x) \text{ for some } \varphi(t) \in H_1\}$ is dense in $L_2(0, l)$.

Proof. It is clear that the set

$$\Xi_2 = \{f(x) \in L_2(0, l); f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n z_k \cdot v_k(x), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

is dense in $L_2(0, l)$. According to corollary 3.2, §3 in [1] (p. 279) we have $\Xi_2 \subset \Xi_1$, which proves the lemma.

Lemma 3.3. *Let $\overset{\circ}{B}_1^T = \{\varphi(\cdot) \in L_2(0, T); \|\varphi\|_{L_2(0, T)} < 1\}$ and $A(\overset{\circ}{B}_1^T) = \{f(x) \in L_2(0, l); f(x) = [A\varphi](x) \text{ for some } \varphi(t) \in \overset{\circ}{B}_1^T\}$. Let $y(\cdot) \notin A(\overset{\circ}{B}_1^T)$ and $\varphi_y(t) \in B_1^T \cap H_1$ be a solution of (P0). Then $\|\varphi_y\|_{L_2(0, T)} = 1$.*

Proof. This proposition follows directly from the Kuhn-Tucker theorem ([7]; pp. 261-262).

Theorem 3.1. *Let $\overset{\circ}{B}_1^T = \{\varphi(\cdot) \in L_2(0, T); \|\varphi\|_{L_2(0, T)} < 1\}$, $A(\overset{\circ}{B}_1^T) = \{f(x) \in L_2(0, l); f(x) = [A\varphi](x) \text{ for some } \varphi(t) \in \overset{\circ}{B}_1^T\}$, H be defined by (3), H_1 be defined by (14), and $H^\perp = \{\varphi(\cdot) \in L_2(0, T); (\varphi, \eta)_{L_2(0, T)} = 0 \text{ for each } \eta(\cdot) \in H\}$.*

a) *If $y(\cdot) \notin A(\overset{\circ}{B}_1^T)$ the solution of (P0) is unique.*

b) *Let $y(\cdot) \in A(\overset{\circ}{B}_1^T)$ and $\varphi_y(t)$ be the unique solution of (P0) from H_1 . Then*

$\zeta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 1 - \|\varphi_y\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2$ *is positive and*

$$(15) \ S_{y(\cdot)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\varphi_y(t) + h(t); \hat{h}(t) = h(T-t) \in H^\perp, \|h\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 \leq \zeta\}$$

is the set of all solutions of (P0).

Proof. a) Let $\varphi_y(t) \in B_1^T \cap H_1$ be a solution of (P0) (lemma 3.1) and $\eta(t) \in B_1^T$ be an arbitrary solution of (P0). Because of (2) and $[A\varphi_y](x) = [A\eta](x) = [\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)](x)$ we have $\hat{\eta}(t) - \hat{\varphi}_y(t) = \eta(T-t) - \varphi_y(T-t) \in H^\perp$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|\eta\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 &= \|\hat{\eta}\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 = \|\hat{\varphi}_y\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 + \|\hat{\eta} - \hat{\varphi}_y\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 \\ &= \|\varphi_y\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 + \|\hat{\eta} - \hat{\varphi}_y\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\|\varphi_y\|_{L_2(0, T)} = 1$ (lemma 3.3), we have $\hat{\eta}(\cdot) = \hat{\varphi}_y(\cdot)$, i.e. $\eta(\cdot) = \varphi_y(\cdot)$.

b) Let $y(\cdot) \in A(B_1^T)$ and $\varphi_y \in B_1^T \cap H_1$ be such that $[A\varphi_y](x) = [\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)](x) = y(x)$. Then $\zeta = 1 - \|\varphi_y\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 > 0$. Let $h(t)$ be such that $\hat{h}(t) = h(T-t) \in H^\perp$ and $\|h\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 = \|h\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 < \zeta$. Because of (2) we have $[A(\varphi_y + h)](x) = [A\varphi_y](x) = y(x)$. Since $\varphi_y \in H$,

$$\|\varphi_y + h\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 = \|\hat{\varphi}_y + \hat{h}\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 = \|\hat{\varphi}_y\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 + \|\hat{h}\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 \leq 1.$$

Hence $S_{y(\cdot)}$ (defined by (15)) consists of solutions of (P0).

Now let $\varphi_y(t) + h(t)$ be a solution of (P0). Since $[A(\varphi_y + h)](x) = y(x) = [A\varphi_y](x)$, (2) yields $\hat{h}(t) = h(T-t) \in H^\perp$. Since $\hat{\varphi}_y(t) = \varphi_y(T-t) \in H$, we have

$$\|\varphi_y + h\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2 = \|\hat{\varphi}_y + \hat{h}\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2 = \|\hat{\varphi}_y\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2 + \|\hat{h}\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2 = \|\varphi_y\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2 + \|h\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2.$$

Because of $\|\varphi_y + h\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2 \leq 1$, $\|h\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2 \leq 1 - \|\varphi_y\|_{L_2(0,T)}^2 = \zeta$ holds true. Thus each solution of (P0) belongs to $S_{y(\cdot)}$.

4. The dependence of the solution to the problem (P0) on $y(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$

The principal result in this section is theorem 4.1. Its proof will be prepared by five lemmata.

Lemma 4.1. *Let $\{a_{ij}\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \}_{j=1}^i$ be the coefficients in (4), the operator $\tilde{A} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ be defined by*

$$(16) \quad \tilde{A}[(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots)] = (a_{11}x_1, a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ni}x_i, \dots)$$

for each $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \in l_2$ and $\mathcal{R}(\tilde{A}) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = \tilde{A}\vec{x} \text{ for some } \vec{x} \in l_2\}$. Then the operator $\tilde{A} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is compact and injective and $\mathcal{R}(\tilde{A})$ is dense in l_2 .

Proof. Using the mapping $Is_2 : H \rightarrow l_2$ we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{j=1}^i a_{ij}^2 \right] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \int_0^T e^{2\lambda_i t} dt < T + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} 1/|\lambda_i| < \infty.$$

Defining $\tilde{A}_n : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ by

$$\tilde{A}_n[(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots)] = (a_{11}x_1, a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ni}x_i, 0, 0, \dots, 0, \dots),$$

we have

$$\sup_{\|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1} \|\tilde{A}\vec{x} - \tilde{A}_n\vec{x}\|_{l_2}^2 = \sup_{\|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1} \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{j=1}^i a_{ij}x_j \right]^2 \leq \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} \left[\sum_{j=1}^i a_{ij}^2 \right] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

Then \tilde{A} is compact according to the theorem on p. 290 (Ch. 6, §3) in [9].

Since $a_{ii} \neq 0$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$, \tilde{A} is injective.

Lemma 3. 2 and the mapping $Is_2 : H \rightarrow l_2$ yield the fact that $\mathcal{R}(\tilde{A})$ is dense in l_2 .

Lemma 4. 2. *Let $\tilde{A} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ be defined by (16), $\tilde{A}^* : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ be the adjoint operator of \tilde{A} and $D : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ be defined by $D = \tilde{A} \cdot \tilde{A}^*$. Then*

- a) *there is unique positive operator $\sqrt{D} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ such that $\sqrt{D} \cdot \sqrt{D} = D$.*
- b) *there is an orthonormal set $\{\vec{g}_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty} \subset l_2$ of eigenvectors of \sqrt{D} which form a basis of l_2 .*
- c) *the operator \sqrt{D} is injective.*

Proof. a) Since $D : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is positive and self-adjoint, according to theorem 2 on p. 246 (Ch. VII, § 3) in [12] there is unique positive operator $\sqrt{D} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ such that $\sqrt{D} \cdot \sqrt{D} = D$.

b) Since $\tilde{A} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is compact, $\tilde{A}^* : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is compact (theorem 4.19 on p. 119 in [13]). Then $D = \tilde{A} \cdot \tilde{A}^*$ is compact (theorem 4.18 f) on p. 118 in [13]). Since D is compact and self-adjoint, there is an orthonormal basis $\{\vec{g}_k\}_{k=1}^\infty \subset l_2$ of eigenvectors of D ([12], [14]) with corresponding eigenvalues $\xi_k \geq 0$ (D is positive).

For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

$$(\sqrt{D} + \sqrt{\xi_k} \cdot \text{Id}) (\sqrt{D} - \sqrt{\xi_k} \cdot \text{Id}) \vec{g}_k = (D - \xi_k \cdot \text{Id}) \vec{g}_k = 0,$$

where $\text{Id} \vec{x} = \vec{x}$ for each $\vec{x} \in l_2$. Since \sqrt{D} is positive, $(\sqrt{D} - \sqrt{\xi_k} \cdot \text{Id}) \vec{g}_k = 0$ holds true for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence \vec{g}_k is eigenvector of \sqrt{D} with corresponding eigenvalue $\sqrt{\xi_k}$ for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

c) Since $\mathcal{R}(\tilde{A})$ is dense in l_2 , \tilde{A}^* is injective (theorem 12.10 on p. 335 in [13]). Since \tilde{A} is injective, $D = \tilde{A} \cdot \tilde{A}^*$ is injective too. Hence $\xi_k > 0$ for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Since

$$(17) \quad \sqrt{D} \vec{x} = \sqrt{D} \left(\sum_{k=1}^\infty (\vec{x}, \vec{g}_k)_{l_2} \cdot \vec{g}_k \right) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \sqrt{\xi_k} \cdot (\vec{x}, \vec{g}_k)_{l_2} \cdot \vec{g}_k$$

for each $\vec{x} \in l_2$, $\sqrt{D} \cdot \vec{x} = 0$ implies $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$, because $\sqrt{\xi_k} > 0$ for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence \sqrt{D} is injective.

Lemma 4.3. Let $\tilde{A} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ be defined by (16) and $\sqrt{D} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ be defined as in lemma 4.2. Let $\sqrt{D}(B_1) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = \sqrt{D} \vec{x}, \|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1\}$ and $\tilde{A}(B_1) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = \tilde{A} \vec{x}, \|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1\}$. Then $\sqrt{D}(B_1) = \tilde{A}(B_1)$.

Proof. Let $\mathcal{R}(D) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = D \vec{x}, \vec{x} \in l_2\}$. It is easily seen that

$$(18) \quad \sqrt{D}(B_1) \cap \mathcal{R}(D) = \tilde{A}(B_1) \cap \mathcal{R}(D).$$

Let $\vec{c} = \tilde{A} \vec{x}$, $\|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} < 1$. Since $\mathcal{R}(\tilde{A}^*) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = \tilde{A}^* \vec{x}, \vec{x} \in l_2\}$ is dense in l_2 (\tilde{A} is injective), we can find $\{\tilde{A}^* \vec{y}_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$, $\|\tilde{A}^* \vec{y}_n\|_{l_2} < 1$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, such that $\|\tilde{A}^* \vec{y}_n - \vec{x}\|_{l_2} \rightarrow 0$. Then if $\vec{c}_n = \tilde{A} \tilde{A}^* \vec{y}_n = D \vec{y}_n$ we have $\vec{c}_n \in \sqrt{D}(B_1)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ (see

(18) and $\|\vec{c}_n - \vec{c}\|_{l_2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$. Since $\sqrt{D}(B_1)$ is closed $\vec{c} \in \sqrt{D}(B_1)$ holds true.

Now let $\vec{c} = \tilde{A} \vec{x}$, $\|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} = 1$ and $\vec{c}_n = \tilde{A} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \vec{x} \right)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\vec{c}_n \in \sqrt{D}(B_1)$ and $\|\vec{c}_n - \vec{c}\|_{l_2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$, i.e. $\vec{c} \in \sqrt{D}(B_1)$. Hence $\tilde{A}(B_1) \subset \sqrt{D}(B_1)$. The proof of

$\sqrt{D}(B_1) \subset \tilde{A}(B_1)$ is the same.

Lemma 4.4. Let $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \|\vec{y} - \vec{y}_0\|_{l_2} \leq \delta\}$ for $\vec{y}_0 \in l_2$ and $\delta > 0$, let \tilde{A} be defined by (16), let $\tilde{A}(B_1) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = \tilde{A}\vec{x}, \|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1\}$ and $\vec{x}(\vec{y}) = \tilde{A}^{-1}(\text{Pr}_{\tilde{A}(B_1)}\vec{y})$ for each $\vec{y} \in l_2$. Then for each $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0) \subset l_2 \setminus \tilde{A}(B_1)$ there exists a constant $C_0(\delta, \vec{y}_0)$, such that

$$(19) \quad \|\vec{x}(\vec{y}_1) - \vec{x}(\vec{y}_2)\|_{l_2} \leq C_0(\delta, \vec{y}_0) \cdot \|\vec{y}_1 - \vec{y}_2\|_{l_2}$$

for each \vec{y}_1 and \vec{y}_2 belonging to $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0)$.

Proof. Let $\vec{z}(\vec{y}) = \sqrt{D}^{-1}(\text{Pr}_{\sqrt{D}(B_1)}\vec{y})$ for each $\vec{y} \in l_2$. Since $\sqrt{D}(B_1) = \tilde{A}(B_1)$ (lemma 4.3) we have $\vec{x}(\vec{y}) = \tilde{A}^{-1}(\text{Pr}_{\tilde{A}(B_1)}\vec{y}) = \tilde{A}^{-1}(\text{Pr}_{\sqrt{D}(B_1)}\vec{y}) = \tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D}\vec{z}(\vec{y})$.

Now let $\vec{y}_0 \in l_2$ and $\delta > 0$ be such that $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0) \subset l_2 \setminus \tilde{A}(B_1) = l_2 \setminus \sqrt{D}(B_1)$. Because of (17) we can apply theorem 3 a) from [5], i.e. there exists a constant $C_1(\delta, \vec{y}_0)$ such that

$$\|\vec{z}(\vec{y}_1) - \vec{z}(\vec{y}_2)\|_{l_2} \leq C_1(\delta, \vec{y}_0) \|\vec{y}_1 - \vec{y}_2\|_{l_2}$$

for each \vec{y}_1 and \vec{y}_2 belonging to $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0)$.

It is easily seen that the operator $\tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is defined for each $\vec{y} \in l_2$ and is bounded. Hence

$$\|\vec{x}(\vec{y}_1) - \vec{x}(\vec{y}_2)\|_{l_2} = \|\tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D}[\vec{z}(\vec{y}_1) - \vec{z}(\vec{y}_2)]\|_{l_2} \leq \|\tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D}\| \cdot C_1(\delta, \vec{y}_0) \cdot \|\vec{y}_1 - \vec{y}_2\|_{l_2}$$

for each \vec{y}_1 and \vec{y}_2 belonging to $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0)$, i.e. (19) holds true with $C_0(\delta, \vec{y}_0) = \|\tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D}\| \cdot C_1(\delta, \vec{y}_0)$.

Lemma 4.5. Let $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \|\vec{y} - \vec{y}_0\|_{l_2} \leq \delta\}$ for $\vec{y}_0 \in l_2$ and $\delta > 0$, $N : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ be defined by

$$(20) \quad N[(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots)] = (x_1/\sqrt{l}, -\sqrt{2}x_2/\sqrt{l}, \dots, (-1)^{n-1}x_n\sqrt{2}/\sqrt{l}, \dots)$$

for each $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots) \in l_2$, let \tilde{A} be defined by (16) and $N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = N \cdot \tilde{A}\vec{x}, \|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1\}$. Then

a) $N \cdot \tilde{A} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is injective operator;

b) for each $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0) \subset l_2 \setminus N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1)$ there exists a constant $C(\delta, \vec{y}_0)$ such that

$$(21) \quad \|[N \cdot \tilde{A}]^{-1} (\text{Pr}_{N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1)} \vec{y}_1) - [N \cdot \tilde{A}]^{-1} (\text{Pr}_{N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1)} \vec{y}_2)\|_{l_2} \leq C(\delta, \vec{y}_0) \|\vec{y}_1 - \vec{y}_2\|_{l_2}$$

for each \vec{y}_1 and \vec{y}_2 belonging to $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0)$.

Proof. a) Since \tilde{A} and N are injective, $N \cdot \tilde{A}$ is injective.

b) Since $\sqrt{D}(B_1) = \tilde{A}(B_1)$ (lemma 4.3) and $\tilde{A} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is compact (lemma 4.1), $\sqrt{D} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is compact too. Since $N : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is bounded, $N \cdot \sqrt{D} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is compact (theorem 4.18 f) on p.118 in [13]). The operator $NDN = [N \cdot \sqrt{D}] \cdot [\sqrt{D} \cdot N] = [N \cdot \sqrt{D}] \cdot [N \cdot \sqrt{D}]^*$ is self-adjoint, injective, compact and positive. Using the operator \sqrt{NDN} as in lemma 4.3 we obtain $N \cdot \sqrt{D}(B_1) = \sqrt{NDN}(B_1)$, where $N \cdot \sqrt{D}(B_1) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = N \cdot \sqrt{D}\vec{x}, \|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1\}$ and $\sqrt{NDN}(B_1) = \{\vec{y} \in l_2; \vec{y} = \sqrt{NDN}\vec{x}, \|\vec{x}\|_{l_2} \leq 1\}$. Now let $\vec{y}_0 \in l_2$ and $\delta > 0$ be such that $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0) \subset l_2 \setminus N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1) = l_2 \setminus N \cdot \sqrt{D}(B_1)$. As in lemma 4.4 we can prove that there exists a constant $C_2(\delta, \vec{y}_0)$ such that

$$\|[N \cdot \sqrt{D}]^{-1} (\text{Pr}_{N \cdot \sqrt{D}(B_1)} \vec{y}_1) - [N \cdot \sqrt{D}]^{-1} (\text{Pr}_{N \cdot \sqrt{D}(B_1)} \vec{y}_2)\|_{l_2} \leq C_2(\delta, \vec{y}_0) \cdot \|\vec{y}_1 - \vec{y}_2\|_{l_2}$$

for each \vec{y}_1 and \vec{y}_2 from $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0)$. Since the operator $\tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D} : l_2 \rightarrow l_2$ is bounded, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|[N \cdot \tilde{A}]^{-1} (\text{Pr}_{N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1)} \vec{y}_1) - [N \cdot \tilde{A}]^{-1} (\text{Pr}_{N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1)} \vec{y}_2)\|_{l_2} \\ &= \|\tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D}\{[N \cdot \sqrt{D}]^{-1} (\text{Pr}_{N \cdot \sqrt{D}(B_1)} \vec{y}_1)\} - \tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D}\{[N \cdot \sqrt{D}]^{-1} (\text{Pr}_{N \cdot \sqrt{D}(B_1)} \vec{y}_2)\}\|_{l_2} \\ &\leq \|\tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D}\| \cdot C_2(\delta, \vec{y}_0) \cdot \|\vec{y}_1 - \vec{y}_2\|_{l_2} \end{aligned}$$

for each \vec{y}_1 and \vec{y}_2 from $B_\delta(\vec{y}_0)$, i.e. (21) holds true with $C(\delta, \vec{y}_0) = \|\tilde{A}^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{D}\| \cdot C_2(\delta, \vec{y}_0)$, because $N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1) = N \cdot \sqrt{D}(B_1)$.

In theorem 4.1 we shall need the following

Definition. Let X be a linear normed space and $B = \{\vec{x} \in X, \|\vec{x}\|_X < 1\}$. For each two subsets V_1 and V_2 of X the number

$$d(V_1, V_2) = \inf \{\varepsilon > 0; V_1 \subset V_2 + \varepsilon \cdot B \text{ and } V_2 \subset V_1 + \varepsilon \cdot B\}$$

is called Hausdorff distance between V_1 and V_2 .

Theorem 4.1. Let $A(B_1^T) = \{f(x) \in L_2(0, l); f(x) = [A\varphi](x), \|\varphi\|_{L_2(0, T)} \leq 1\}$ and $A(\hat{B}_1^T) = \{f(x) \in L_2(0, l); f(x) = [A\varphi](x), \|\varphi\|_{L_2(0, T)} < 1\}$.

a) Let $y_0(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$ and $\delta > 0$ be such that

$$B_\delta(y_0(\cdot)) = \{f(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l); \|f(\cdot) - y_0(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, l)} \leq \delta\} \subset L_2(0, l) \setminus A(B_1^T)$$

and let $\varphi_y(t)$ denote the unique solution of (PO) for given $y(\cdot) \in B_\delta(y_0(\cdot))$. (Then there exists a constant $C(\delta, y_0(\cdot))$ such that

$$(22) \quad \|\varphi_{y'}(\cdot) - \varphi_{y''}(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, T)} \leq C(\delta, y_0(\cdot)) \cdot \|y'(\cdot) - y''(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, l)}$$

for each $y'(\cdot)$ and $y''(\cdot)$ from $B_\delta(y_0(\cdot))$).

b) Let $S_{y(\cdot)}$ denote the set of all solutions to (PO) for given $y(\cdot) \in L_2(0, l)$ (according to theorem 3.1a), if $y(\cdot) \notin A(\hat{B}_1^T)$ the set $S_{y(\cdot)}$ consists of one element). Then for each $y_0(\cdot) \in A(B_1^T) \setminus A(\hat{B}_1^T)$ and for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $\|y(\cdot) - y_0(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, l)} < \delta$ implies $d(S_{y(\cdot)}, S_{y_0(\cdot)}) < \varepsilon$.

c) For each $y_0(\cdot) \in A(\hat{B}_1^T)$ there exists a sequence $\{y_n(\cdot)\}_{n=1}^\infty \subset A(\hat{B}_1^T)$ such that $\|y_n(\cdot) - y_0(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, l)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ but nevertheless $d(S_{y_n(\cdot)}, S_{y_0(\cdot)})$ does not tend to zero.

Proof. a) It follows from (2), (3), (16), (20) and the definitions of $Is_1 : L_2(0, l) \rightarrow l_2$ and $Is_2 : H \rightarrow l_2$ that $[A\varphi](x) = [Is_1^{-1} \cdot N \cdot \tilde{A} \cdot Is_2 \hat{\varphi}(\cdot)](x)$ for each $\varphi(t) \in H_1$, where $\hat{\varphi}(t) = \varphi(T-t)$. Since $[A\varphi_y](x) = [\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)](x)$ for each $y(\cdot) \in B_\delta(y_0(\cdot))$ and $\varphi_y(\cdot) \in B_1^T \cap H_1$ (lemma 3.1), we have $[Is_1^{-1} \cdot N \cdot \tilde{A} \cdot Is_2 \hat{\varphi}_y(\cdot)](x) = [\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot)](x)$, i.e. $Is_2 \hat{\varphi}_y(\cdot) = [N \cdot \tilde{A}]^{-1} \{Is_1 [(\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot))](x)\}$ for each $y(\cdot) \in B_\delta(y_0(\cdot))$. Using (2) and (14) we have $A(B_1^T) = A(B_1^T \cap H_1)$. Hence $A(B_1^T) = Is_1^{-1} \cdot N \cdot \tilde{A} \cdot Is_2 (B_1^T \cap H)$, i.e. $Is_1 [(\text{Pr}_{A(B_1^T)} y(\cdot))](x) = Is_1 [(\text{Pr}_{Is_1^{-1} \cdot N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1)} y(\cdot))](x) = \text{Pr}_{N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1)} Is_1 y(\cdot)$, i.e.

$$Is_2 \hat{\varphi}_y(\cdot) = [N \cdot \tilde{A}]^{-1} \cdot \text{Pr}_{N \cdot \tilde{A}(B_1)} Is_1 y(\cdot).$$

According to lemma 4.5 there exists a constant $C(\delta, y_0(\cdot))$ such that

$$\|Is_2 \hat{\varphi}_{y'}(\cdot) - Is_2 \hat{\varphi}_{y''}(\cdot)\|_{l_2} \leq C(\delta, y_0(\cdot)) \cdot \|Is_1 y'(\cdot) - Is_2 y''(\cdot)\|_{l_2}$$

for each $y'(\cdot)$ and $y''(\cdot)$ from $B_\delta(y_0(\cdot))$, i.e.

$$\|\hat{\varphi}_{y'}(\cdot) - \hat{\varphi}_{y''}(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, T)} \leq C(\delta, y_0(\cdot)) \cdot \|y'(\cdot) - y''(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, l)}$$

for each $y'(\cdot)$ and $y''(\cdot)$ from $B_\delta(y_0(\cdot))$. Since $\|\varphi_{y'}(\cdot) - \varphi_{y''}(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, T)} = \|\hat{\varphi}_{y'}(\cdot) - \hat{\varphi}_{y''}(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, T)}$, (22) holds true.

b) Let $y_0(\cdot) \in A(\hat{B}_1^T) \setminus A(\hat{B}_1^{\circ T})$ and the sequence $\{y_n(\cdot)\}_{n=1}^\infty \subset L_2(0, l)$ be such that $\|y_n(\cdot) - y_0(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, l)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$. Let $\mu_{y_n} \in S_{y_n}(\cdot)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. It can be proved by standard argument that

$$(23) \quad \{\mu_{y_n}\}_{n=1}^\infty \text{ is converging to } \varphi_{y_0} \text{ weakly in } L_2(0, T)$$

(where φ_{y_0} is the unique solution of (PO) for $y(\cdot) = y_0(\cdot)$) and that

$$(24) \quad \|\mu_{y_n}\|_{L_2(0, T)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi_{y_0}\|_{L_2(0, T)}.$$

Then (23) and (24) yield

$$(25) \quad \|\mu_{y_n}(\cdot) - \varphi_{y_0}(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, T)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

Let us assume that there exist $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ and a subsequence of $\{y_n(\cdot)\}_{n=1}^\infty$ which we will denote also by $\{y_{n_k}(\cdot)\}_{k=1}^\infty$ such that $d(S_{y_{n_k}}, S_{y_0}) \geq \varepsilon_0$. This means that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have either $S_{y_0}(\cdot) \not\subset S_{y_{n_k}}(\cdot) + \varepsilon_0 \cdot \hat{B}_1^T$, or $S_{y_{n_k}}(\cdot) \not\subset S_{y_0}(\cdot) + \varepsilon_0 \cdot \hat{B}_1^T$. It follows from here that either

$$(26) \quad S_{y_0}(\cdot) \not\subset S_{y_{n_k}}(\cdot) + \varepsilon_0 \cdot \hat{B}_1^T \text{ for a whole subsequence } \{y_{n_k}(\cdot)\}_{k=1}^\infty,$$

or

$$(27) \quad S_{y_{n_k}}(\cdot) \not\subset S_{y_0}(\cdot) + \varepsilon_0 \cdot \hat{B}_1^T \text{ for a whole subsequence } \{y_{n_k}(\cdot)\}_{k=1}^\infty.$$

Since $S_{y_0}(\cdot) = \{\varphi_{y_0}(\cdot)\}$, (26), as well as (27), contradicts (25).

c) Let $y_0(\cdot) \in A(\hat{B}_1^{\circ T})$ and φ_{y_0} be the unique solution to (PO) from H_1 (lemma 3.1). Since H is infinite dimensional, (14) implies that H_1 is infinite dimensional too. Let $\{\eta_n(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be an orthonormal basis of H_1 . Since $\varphi_{y_0} \in \hat{B}_1^T \cap H_1$, we can find $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\varphi_n(t) = \varphi_{y_0}(t) + \varepsilon \cdot \eta_n(t) \in \hat{B}_1^T \cap H_1$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$(28) \quad \{\varphi_n(t)\}_{n=1}^\infty \text{ is converging to } \varphi_{y_0}(t) \text{ weakly in } L_2(0, T)$$

and $\varphi_n(t) = \varphi_{y_n}(t)$, where $\varphi_{y_n}(t)$ is the unique solution to (PO) for $y(x) = y_n(x)$, belonging to H_1 (lemma 3.1). Let us define $y_n(x) = [A\varphi_n(\cdot)](x)$. Since $A : H_1 \rightarrow L_2(0, l)$ is compact, (28) yields

$$\|y_n(\cdot) - y_0(\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, l)} = \|[A\varphi_n](\cdot) - [A\varphi_{y_0}](\cdot)\|_{L_2(0, l)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

Now let $\varphi_{y_n}(t) + h_n(t) \in S_{y_n}(\cdot)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\varphi_{y_0}(t) + h_0(t) \in S_{y_0}(\cdot)$. Since $\hat{h}_n(t) = h(T-t) \in H^\perp$ and $\hat{h}_0(t) = h_0(T-t) \in H^\perp$ (theorem 3.1 b)), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi_{y_n} + h_n - (\varphi_{y_0} + h_0)\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 &= \|\varphi_n - \varphi_{y_0}\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 + \|h_n - h_0\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 \\ &\geq \|\varphi_n - \varphi_{y_0}\|_{L_2(0, T)}^2 = \varepsilon^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $d(S_{y_{n_k}}, S_{y_0}) \geq \varepsilon$.

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