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ESTIMATES OF SOLUTIONS OF ELLIPTIC-PARABOLIC EQUATIONS

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A class of degenerated second order elliptic-parabolic equations of non-divergent structure is considered. For solutions of the boundary value problems of these equations the coercive estimation in an appropriate Sobolev space is established.

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1. Introduction. Let Ω be a bounded domain in R^n with the boundary $\partial\Omega \subset C^2$, let $\Omega \times (0; T)$ be the cylinder, where $T \in (0; \infty)$. Let us consider in Q_T the boundary value problem

$$lu = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x, t)u_{ij} + \psi(x, t)u_{tt} - u_t = f(x, t), \quad (1)$$

$$u|_{\Gamma(Q_T)} = 0, \quad (2)$$

where for $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $u_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$, $u_i = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i}$,

$\Gamma(Q_T) = (\partial\Omega \times [0, T]) \cup (\Omega \times (x, t) : t = 0)$ is parabolic boundary of Q_T , and

$$\Psi(x, t) = \omega(x)\lambda(t)\varphi(T - t), \quad (3)$$

where $\omega(x) \in A_p$ satisfies the condition of Muckenhoupt (see [8]),

$\lambda(t) \geq 0$, $\lambda(t) \in C^1[0, T]$, $\varphi(z) \geq 0$, $\varphi'(z) \geq 0$, $\varphi(z) \in C^1[0, T]$, $\varphi(0) = \varphi'(0) = 0$, $\varphi(z) \geq \beta z \varphi'(z)$,

here β is a positive constant.

Assume that for the coefficients of the operator ???? the following conditions hold:

If $\|a_{ij}(x, t)\|$ is a real symmetrical matrix with elements measurable in Q_T for every $(x, t) \in Q_T$ and $\xi \in R^n$ then the inequalities

$$\gamma\omega(x)|\xi|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x,t)\xi_i\xi_j \leq \gamma^{-1}\omega(x)|\xi|^2 \quad (4)$$

hold, where γ is a constant from the interval $[0, 1]$.

The purpose of this paper is to obtain a coercive estimation for problem (1)–(2) in an appropriate Sobolev space.

The obtained estimation can be used when proving a unique strong (almost everywhere) solvability of the first boundary value problem (1)–(2) at every

$$f(x, t) \in L_2(Q_T).$$

The theory of degenerated elliptic-parabolic equations ascends to the classical paper by Keldysh [1] in which the correct statements of the boundary value problems for the equations of kind (1) with one space variable were found. G.Fickera [2] has established a weak solvability of the first boundary value problem for a wide class of the second order equations with the non-negative characteristic form (see also [3]). As to strong solvability of the first boundary value problem for elliptic-parabolic equations in the non-divergent form with smooth coefficients, we shall note in this connection the papers [4–6]. The similar result for the equations of kind (1) is the case when the coefficients satisfy the Cordes condition is obtained in [7].

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we present some definitions and preliminary results. In Section 3 we give main results.

2. Definitions and preliminary results. For $R > 0$ and $x^0 \in \Omega$ we denote the ball $\{x : |x - x^0| < R\}$ by $B_R(x^0)$ and the cylinder $B_R(x^0) \times (0, T)$ by $Q_T^R(x^0)$. Let $\bar{B}_R(x^0) \subset \Omega$. We say that $u(x, t) \in A(Q_T^R(x^0))$ if $u(x, t) \in C^\infty(\bar{Q}_T^R(x^0))$, $u|_{t=0} = 0$ and $\text{supp } u \in \bar{Q}_T^\rho(x^0)$ for some $\rho \in (0, R)$.

We say that $u(x, t) \in A_1(Q_T^R(x^0))$ if $u(x, t) \in C^\infty(\bar{Q}_T^R(x^0))$, $u|_{t=0} = 0$. Finally, $u(x, t) \in B(Q_T^R(x^0))$ if $u(x, t) \in A(\bar{Q}_T^R(x^0))$ and $u|_{t=T} = u_t|_{t=T} = 0$. In the sequel, the notation $C(\cdot)$ shows that a positive constants C depends only on the contents of brackets.

Let us introduce the Banach spaces of the functions $u(x, t)$ given on Q_T with finite norms

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{w_{2,\omega}^1(Q_T)} &= \left(\int_{Q_T} \omega(x) (u^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i}^2) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \\ \|u\|_{w_{2,\omega}^2(Q_T)} &= \left(\int_{Q_T} \omega(x) (u^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i}^2 + \sum_{i,j=1}^n u_{x_i x_j}^2) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \\ \|u\|_{w_{2,\omega}^{2,1}(Q_T)} &= \|u\|_{w_{2,\omega}^2(Q_T)} + \|u_t\|_{L_2(Q_T)}, \\ \|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T)} &= \\ \left(\int_{Q_T} (\omega(x) (u^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i}^2 + \sum_{i,j=1}^n u_{x_i x_j}^2) + u_t^2 + \psi^2(x, t) u_{tt}^2 + \psi(x, t) \sum_{i=1}^n u_{tt}^2) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \\ \|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{1,1}(Q_T)} &= \left(\int_{Q_T} (\omega(x) (u^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i}^2) + u_t^2 + \psi^2(x, t) u_{tt}^2) dx dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that $\dot{w}_{2,\psi}^{1,1}(Q_T)$ is a subspace of the space $w_{2,\psi}^{1,1}(Q_T)$ that contains the set of all functions from $C^\infty(Q_T)$ vanishing on the parabolic boundary $\Gamma(Q_T)$.

Consider the model operator

$$Z_0 = \omega(x)\Delta + \psi(x, t)\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t},$$

where $\Delta = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2}$ is the Laplace operator.

Lemma 1. *If the function $\psi(x, t)$ satisfies (3) and conditions (4) are fulfilled, then there exists $T_1(\psi(x, t), n)$ such that $T \leq T_1$ and for any function $u(x, t) \in A(Q_T^R(x^0))$ the estimate*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{Q_T^R(x^0)} \left[\omega^2(x) \sum_{i=1}^n u_{u_{ij}}^2 + u_t^2 + \psi^2(x, t) u_{it}^2 + \psi(x, t) \sum_{i=1}^n u_{tt}^2 \right] dx dt &\leq \\ &\leq (1 + DS) \int_{Q_T^R(x^0)} (Z_0 u)^2 dx dt \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

holds, where $S = S(\psi, n)$ is some constant, $D = D(T) = q(T) + q_1(T)$ and $q(T) = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \varphi'(t)$, $q_1(T) = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \varphi(t)$.

3. Coercive estimates for weak solutions and main result.

Lemma 2. *If the conditions of the previous lemma are fulfilled, then for any function $u(x, t) \in A(Q_T^R(x^0))$, where $T \leq T_2(\psi, n, \delta)$ the following estimate is true:*

$$\begin{aligned} I = \int_{Q_T^R(x^0)} \left(\omega^2(x) \sum_{i=1}^n u_{u_{ij}}^2 + u_t^2 + \psi^2(x, t) u_{it}^2 + \psi(x, t) \sum_{i=1}^n u_{tt}^2 \right) dx dt &\leq \\ &\leq C_2 \int_{Q_T^R(x^0)} (Zu)^2 dx dt, \end{aligned}$$

where $C_2 = C_2(\psi, n, \delta)$.

Lemma 3. *If conditions (4), (5) are fulfilled for the coefficients of the operator Z , then at $T \leq T_2$ the following estimate is true for any function $u(x, t) \in A(Q_T^R(x^0))$*

$$\|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T^R(x^0))} \leq C_4(\psi, \delta, n) \|Zu\|_{l_2(Q_T^R(x^0))}.$$

Lemma 4. *If conditions (4), (5) are fulfilled for the coefficients of the operator Z , then for every $T \leq T_2$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ the following estimate holds for any function $u(x, t) \in A_1(Q_T^R(x^0))$:*

$$\|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T^{R/2}(x^0))} \leq C_8 \|Zu\|_{l_2(Q_T^R(x^0))} + \varepsilon \|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T^R(x^0))} + \frac{C_9(\psi, \delta, n)}{\varepsilon R^2} \|u\|_{l_2(Q_T^R(x^0))}.$$

Corollary 1. *If the coefficients of the operator Z satisfy conditions (4), (5), then for every $T \leq T_2$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ the estimate*

$$\|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T(\rho))} \leq C_{13}(\psi, \delta, n, \rho, \Omega) \|Zu\|_{l_2(Q_T)} + \varepsilon \|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T)} + C_{14}(\psi, \delta, n, \rho, \Omega) \|u\|_{l_2(Q_T)}$$

holds for any function $u(x, t) \in C^\infty(\overline{Q}_T(x^0))$, where $u|_{t=0} = 0$.

Lemma 5. *If the coefficients of the operator Z satisfy conditions (4), (5), then there exists $\rho_1(n, \sigma, \Omega)$ such that for every $T \leq T_2$ and $\delta > 0$ the estimate*

$$\|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T^1(\rho_1))} \leq C_{15}(\psi, \delta, n, \rho_1, \Omega) \|Zu\|_{l_2(Q_T)} + \varepsilon \|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T)} + \frac{C_{16}(\psi, \delta, n, \rho_1, \Omega)}{\varepsilon} \|u\|_{l_2(Q_T)}$$

holds for any function $u(x, t) \in C^\infty(\bar{Q}_T(x^0))$, where $u|_{t=0} = 0$ and $Q_T^1(\rho_1) = Q_T \setminus Q_T(\rho_1)$.

Lemma 6. *Under the conditions of Lemma 5 the estimate*

$$\|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T)} \leq C_{27}(\psi, \delta, n, \rho, \Omega) \|Zu\|_{l_2(Q_T)} + C_{28}(\psi, \delta, n, \rho_1, \Omega) \|u\|_{l_2(Q_T)}$$

holds for any $u(x, t) \in w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q_T)$ and $T \leq T_2$.

Theorem 1. *If conditions (4), (5) are fulfilled, then there exists $T_0 = T_0(\psi, \delta, n, \Omega)$ such that for every $T \leq T_2$ the estimate*

$$\|u\|_{w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q)}^2 \leq C_{29}(\psi, \delta, n, \Omega) \|Zu\|_{l_2(Q)}$$

holds for any function $u(x, t) \in w_{2,\psi}^{2,2}(Q)$.

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ОЦІНКИ РОЗВ'ЯЗКІВ ЕЛІПТИЧНО-ПАРАБОЛІЧНИХ РІВНЯНЬ

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Досліджено клас вироджених еліптично-параболічних рівнянь другого порядку в недивергентній формі. Визначено оцінку розв'язків крайових задач для цих рівнянь у відповідних просторах Соболева.

Ключові слова: еліптично-параболічні рівняння, крайові задачі, простір Соболева.