

# H<sup>P</sup> estimation for the Cauchy problem for nonlinear elliptic equation

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we investigate the Cauchy problem for a ND nonlinear elliptic equation in a bounded domain. As we know, the problem is severely ill-posed. We apply the Fourier truncation method to regularize the problem.

**Key words:** nonlinear elliptic equation, ill-posed problem, regularization, truncation method

## INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we consider the Cauchy problem for a nonlinear elliptic equation in a bounded domain. The problem has the form

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = F(x', x_N, u(x', x_N)), & (x', x_N) \in \Omega \times (0, T), \\ u(x', x_N) = 0, & (x', x_N) \in \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ u(x', T) = \varphi(x'), & x' \in \Omega, \\ u_{x_N}(x', T) = 0, & x' \in \Omega. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Where  $T$  is a positive constant,  $\Omega = (0, \pi)^{N-1}$ ,  $N$  is a natural number and  $N \geq 2$ , the function  $\varphi \in L^2(\Omega)$  is known and  $F$  is called the source function. It is well-known the above problems is severely ill-posed in the sense of Hadamard. In fact, for a given final data, we are not sure that a solution of the problem exists. In the case a solution exists, it may not depend continuously on the final data. The problem has many various applications, for example in electrocardiography [7], astrophysics [6] and plasma physics [15, 16].

In the past, there have been many studies on the Cauchy problem for linear homogeneous elliptic equations, [1, 5, 9, 10, 12]. However, the literature on the nonlinear elliptic equation is quite scarce. We mention here a nonlinear elliptic

Error estimates between the regularized solution and the exact solution are established in  $H^p$  space under some priori assumptions on the exact solution.

problem of [13] with globally Lipschitz source terms, where authors approximated the problem by a truncation method. Using the method in [13,14], we study the Cauchy problem for nonlinear elliptic in multidimensional domain.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we present the solution of equation (1). In Section 3, we present the main results on regularization theory for local Lipschitz source function. We finish the paper with a remark.

## SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM

Assume that problem (1) has a unique solution  $u(x', x_N)$ . By using the method of separation of variables, we can show that solution of the problem has the form

$$u(x', x_N) = \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_{N-1}=1}^{\infty} \left[ \cosh((T - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) \varphi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \right. \\ \left. + \int_{x_N}^T \frac{\sinh((\tau - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}} F_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(u)(\tau) d\tau \right] \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x'). \quad (2)$$

Indeed, let  $u(x', x_N) = \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_{N-1}=1}^{\infty} u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x_N) \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x')$  be the Fourier series in  $L^2(\Omega)$  with

orthonormal basis  $\phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x') = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{N-1}} \sin(n_1 x_1) \sin(n_2 x_2) \dots \sin(n_{N-1} x_{N-1})$ . From (1), we can obtain the following ordinary differential equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d^2}{dx_N^2} u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} x_N - n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2 u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} x_N = F_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} u(x_N), & x_N \in [0, T], \\ u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} T = \varphi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}, \\ \frac{d}{dx_N} u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} T = 0, \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

where  $F_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(u)(x_N) = \int_{\Omega} F(x', x_N, u(x', x_N)) \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} dx'$ ,  $\varphi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} = \int_{\Omega} \varphi(x') \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x') dx'$  and  $u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} = \int_{\Omega} u(x', x_N) \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x') dx'$ .

The equation (3) is ordinary differential equations. It is easy to see that its solution is given by

$$u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x_N) = \cosh((T - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) \varphi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \\ + \int_{x_N}^T \frac{\sinh((\tau - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}} F_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(u)(\tau) d\tau. \quad (4)$$

#### REGULARIZATION AND ERROR ESTIMATE FOR NONLINEAR PROBLEM WITH LOCALLY LIPSCHITZ SOURCE

We know from (4) that, when  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1}$  become large, the terms

$$\cosh((T - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) \text{ and } \frac{\sinh((\tau - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}}$$

increase rather quickly. Thus, these terms are the cause for instability. In this paper, we use the Fourier truncated method. The essence of the method is to eliminate all high frequencies from the solution, and consider the problem only for  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1}$  satisfying  $\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_{\varepsilon}$ . Here  $C_{\varepsilon}$  is a constant which will be selected appropriately as a regularization parameter which satisfies  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} C_{\varepsilon} = +\infty$ .

Let the function  $F : \Omega \times [0, T] \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that: for each  $M > 0$  and for any  $u, v$  satisfying  $|u|, |v| \leq M$ , there holds

$$|F(x', x_N, u) - F(x', x_N, v)| \leq K_F(M) |u - v|, \quad (5)$$

where  $(x', x_N) \in \Omega \times [0, T]$  and

$$K_F(M) := \sup \left\{ \left| \frac{F(x', x_N, u) - F(x', x_N, v)}{u - v} \right| : |u|, |v| \leq M, u \neq v, (x', x_N) \in \Omega \times [0, T] \right\} < +\infty.$$

We note that  $K_F(M)$  is increasing and  $\lim_{M \rightarrow +\infty} K_F(M) = +\infty$ . For all  $M > 0$ , we approximate  $F$  by  $F_M$  defined by

$$F_M(x', x_N, u(x', x_N)) = \begin{cases} F(x', x_N, M), & u(x', x_N) > M, \\ F(x', x_N, u(x', x_N)), & -M \leq u(x', x_N) \leq M, \\ F(x', x_N, -M), & u(x', x_N) < -M. \end{cases}$$

For each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we consider a parameter  $M_\varepsilon \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . We shall use the following well-posed problem

$$\begin{cases} \Delta v = P_{C_\varepsilon} F_{M_\varepsilon}(x', x_N, v) & x', x_N \in \Omega \times [0, T], \\ v|_{x' = x_N} = 0, & x', x_N \in \partial\Omega \times [0, T], \\ v|_{x' = T} = P_{C_\varepsilon} \varphi^\varepsilon(x'), \quad v|_{x_N = T} = 0, & x' \in \Omega. \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

where

$$P_{C_\varepsilon} w = \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} \langle w, \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \rangle \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \quad \text{for all } w \in L^2(\Omega).$$

We show that the solution  $u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}$  of problem (6) satisfies the following integral equation

$$u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x', x_N) = \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} \left[ \cosh((T - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) \varphi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}^\varepsilon + \int_{x_N}^T \frac{\sinh((\tau - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}} F_{M_\varepsilon}_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(u^\varepsilon)(\tau) d\tau \right] \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x'), \quad (7)$$

**Lemma 1.** For  $u_1(x', x_N), u_2(x', x_N)$ , we have

$$|F_M(x', x_N, u_2(x', x_N)) - F_M(x', x_N, u_1(x', x_N))| \leq K_F(M) |u_2(x', x_N) - u_1(x', x_N)|.$$

**Proof.** If  $u_1(x', x_N) < -M$  and  $u_2(x', x_N) < -M$  then

$$|F_M(x', x_N, u_2(x', x_N)) - F_M(x', x_N, u_1(x', x_N))| = 0.$$

If  $u_1(x', x_N) < -M \leq u_2(x', x_N) \leq M$  then

$$\begin{aligned} |F_M(x', x_N, u_2(x', x_N)) - F_M(x', x_N, u_1(x', x_N))| &= |F_M(x', x_N, u_2(x', x_N)) - F_M(x', x_N, -M)| \\ &\leq K_F(M) |u_2(x', x_N) - u_1(x', x_N)|. \end{aligned}$$

If  $u_1(x', x_N) < -M < M < u_2(x', x_N)$  then

$$\begin{aligned} |F_M(x', x_N, u_2(x', x_N) - F_M(x', x_N, u_1(x', x_N))| &= |F_M(x', x_N, M) - F_M(x', x_N, -M)| \\ &\leq K_F(M) |u_2(x', x_N) - u_1(x', x_N)|. \end{aligned}$$

If  $-M \leq u_1(x', x_N)$ ,  $u_2(x', x_N) \leq M$  then

$$\begin{aligned} |F_M(x', x_N, u_2(x', x_N) - F_M(x', x_N, u_1(x', x_N))| &= |F(x', x_N, u_2(x', x_N) - F(x', x_N, u_1(x', x_N))| \\ &\leq K_F(M) |u_2(x', x_N) - u_1(x', x_N)|. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

**Lemma 2.** Let  $u$  be the exact solution to problem (1). Then we have the following estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 &\leq 2 \exp(2(T - x_N)C_\varepsilon) \|\varphi^\varepsilon - \varphi\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \\ &\quad + 2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)(T - x_N) \int_{x_N}^T \exp(2(\tau - x_N)C_\varepsilon) \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau) - u(\tau)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 d\tau. \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** From the definition of  $u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}$  and  $u$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 &\leq 2 \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} \left| \cosh((T - x_N)\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) (\varphi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}^\varepsilon - \varphi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}) \right|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} \left[ \int_{x_N}^T \frac{\sinh((\tau - x_N)\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}} ((F_{M_\varepsilon})_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(\tau) - F_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(u)(\tau)) d\tau \right]^2 \\ &\leq 2 \exp(2(T - x_N)C_\varepsilon) \|\varphi^\varepsilon - \varphi\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + 2(T - x_N) \int_{x_N}^T \exp(2(\tau - x_N)C_\varepsilon) \|F_{M_\varepsilon}(\tau, u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau)) - F(\tau, u(\tau))\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 d\tau. \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

Since  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} M_\varepsilon = +\infty$ , for a sufficiently small  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $M_\varepsilon$  such that  $M_\varepsilon \geq \|u\|_{L^\infty([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))}$ .

For  $M_\varepsilon$  we have  $F_{M_\varepsilon}(x', x_N, u(x', x_N)) = F(x', x_N, u(x', x_N))$ . Using the Lipschitz property of  $F_M$  as in Lemma 1, we get

$$\|F_{M_\varepsilon}(\tau, u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau)) - F(\tau, u(\tau))\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq K_F^2(M_\varepsilon) \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau) - u(\tau)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2. \tag{9}$$

Combining (8) and (9), we complete the proof of Lemma 2.  $\square$

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and let  $F$  be the function defined in (5). Then the problem (6) has a unique solution  $u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ .

**Proof.** We prove the equation (7) has a unique solution  $u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ . Put

$$\Phi(u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x') = \psi(x', x_N) + G(x', x)$$

where

$$\psi(x', x_N) = \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} \cosh((T - x_N)\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) \varphi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}^\varepsilon \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x')$$

and

$$G(x', x_N) = \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} \left( \int_{x_N}^T \frac{\sinh((\tau - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}} F_{M_\varepsilon}_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} (u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(\tau) d\tau \right) \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x')$$

We claim that

$$\|\Phi^p(v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N) - \Phi^p(w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq \sqrt{\frac{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon) T \exp(2TC_\varepsilon)^p}{p!}} \|v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}\| \quad (10)$$

for  $p \geq 1$ , where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the sup norm in  $C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ . We shall prove the above inequality by induction.

For  $p = 1$ , using the inequality

$$\int_{x_N}^T \frac{\sinh((\tau - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}} d\tau \leq \exp(2\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} T) T$$

and using Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\Phi(v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N) - \Phi(w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 = \\ & \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} \left[ \int_{x_N}^T \frac{\sinh((\tau - x_N) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2})}{\sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}} \left( F_{M_\varepsilon}_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} (v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(\tau) - F_{M_\varepsilon}_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} (w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(\tau) \right) d\tau \right]^2 \\ & \leq \exp(2TC_\varepsilon) T \int_{x_N}^T \left[ \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_{N-1}=1}^{\infty} \left| F_{M_\varepsilon}_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} (v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(\tau) - F_{M_\varepsilon}_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} (w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(\tau) \right|^2 \right] d\tau \\ & \leq \exp(2TC_\varepsilon) T \int_{x_N}^T \|F_{M_\varepsilon}(\tau, v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau)) - F_{M_\varepsilon}(\tau, w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau))\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 d\tau \leq K_F^2(M_\varepsilon) \exp(2TC_\varepsilon) T^2 \|v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus (10) holds for  $p = 1$ . Suppose that (10) holds for  $p = k$ . We prove that (10) holds for  $p = k + 1$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\Phi^{k+1}(v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N) - \Phi^{k+1}(w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq \exp(2TC_\varepsilon) T \int_{x_N}^T \|F_{M_\varepsilon}(\tau, \Phi^k(v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau))) - F_{M_\varepsilon}(\tau, \Phi^k(w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau)))\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 d\tau \\ & \leq K_F^2(M_\varepsilon) \exp(2TC_\varepsilon) T \int_{x_N}^T \|\Phi^k(v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(\tau) - \Phi^k(w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(\tau)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 d\tau \end{aligned}$$

$$\|\Phi^{k+1}(v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N) - \Phi^{k+1}(w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq K_F^2(M_\varepsilon) K_F^{2k} \exp(2TC_\varepsilon) T \exp(2TC_\varepsilon k) \frac{T - x_N}{k + 1!} \|v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}\|^2.$$

Therefore, we get

$$\left\| \Phi^p(v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N) - \Phi^p(w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})(x_N) \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq \sqrt{\frac{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T \exp(2TC_\varepsilon)^p}{p!}} \left\| v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} \right\|, \quad (11)$$

for all  $v_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}, w_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ .

Let us consider  $\Phi : C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega)) \rightarrow C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ . It is easy to see that

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow +\infty} \sqrt{\frac{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T \exp(2TC_\varepsilon)^p}{p!}} = 0.$$

As a consequence, there exists a positive integer number  $p_0$  such that  $\Phi^{p_0}$  is a contraction. It follows that the equation  $\Phi^{p_0}(u) = u$  has a unique solution  $u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ . We claim that  $\Phi(u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}) = u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}$ .

In fact, one has  $\Phi(\Phi^{p_0}(u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})) = \Phi(u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon})$ . By the uniqueness of the fixed point of  $\Phi^{p_0}$ , one has

$\Phi(u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}) = u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}$ , i.e., the equation  $\Phi(u) = u$  has a unique solution  $u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon} \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ .

To show error estimates between the exact solution and the regularized solution, we need the exact solution belonging to the Gevrey space.

**Definition 1.** (Gevrey-type space). (see [2, 3]) The Gevrey class of functions of order  $s > 0$  and index  $\sigma > 0$  is denoted by  $G_\sigma^{s/2}$  and is defined as

$$G_\sigma^{s/2} = \{f \in L^2(\Omega) : \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_{N-1}=1}^{\infty} (n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2)^{s/2} \exp(2\sigma \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) |\langle f, \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \rangle|^2 < \infty\}.$$

It is a Hilbert space with the following norm

$$\|f\|_{G_\sigma^{s/2}} = \sqrt{\sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_{N-1}=1}^{\infty} (n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2)^{s/2} \exp(2\sigma \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) |\langle f, \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \rangle|^2}.$$

For a Hilbert space  $H$ , we denote  $L^\infty(0, T; H) = \{f : [0, T] \rightarrow H \mid \text{ess sup}_{0 \leq t \leq T} |f(t)|_H < \infty\}$

and

$$\|f\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H)} = \text{ess sup}_{0 \leq t \leq T} |f(t)|_H.$$

We consider some assumptions on the exact solution as the following:

$$\text{ess sup}_{0 \leq x_N \leq T} \sqrt{\sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_{N-1}=1}^{\infty} (n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2)^\beta \exp(2x_N \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}^2(x_N)} \leq I_1, \quad (12)$$

$$\text{ess sup}_{0 \leq x_N \leq T} \sqrt{\sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_{N-1}=1}^{\infty} \exp(2(x_N + \alpha) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) u_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}^2(x_N)} \leq I_2,$$

(13)

for all  $x_N \in [0, T]$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, I_1, I_2$  are positive constants.

**Lemma 3.** For any  $w \in G_\sigma^k$ , we have the following inequality

$$\|w - P_{C_\varepsilon} w\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C_\varepsilon^{-k} e^{-\sigma C_\varepsilon} \|w\|_{G_\sigma^k}.$$

Proof. For  $w \in G_\sigma^k$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|w - P_{C_\varepsilon} w\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 &= \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} > C_\varepsilon}} \left| \langle w, \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \rangle \right|^2 \\ &\leq C_\varepsilon^{-2k} e^{-2\sigma C_\varepsilon} \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} > C_\varepsilon}} n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2 \exp(-2\sigma \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) \left| \langle w, \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \rangle \right|^2 \\ &\leq C_\varepsilon^{-2k} e^{-2\sigma C_\varepsilon} \|w\|_{G_\sigma^k}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

The following theorem provides some error estimates in the  $L^2$ -norm when the exact solution belongs to the Gevrey space.

**Theorem 2.** Assume that the problem (1) has a unique solution  $u$  which satisfies (12). If  $C_\varepsilon$  and  $M_\varepsilon$  are chosen such that  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon e^{TC_\varepsilon} = 0$  and  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \exp(2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2)C_\varepsilon^{-\beta} = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \exp(2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2)\varepsilon e^{TC_\varepsilon} = 0$ , then we have

$$\|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq \sqrt{2C_\varepsilon^{-2\beta} I_2^2 + 4\varepsilon^2 e^{2TC_\varepsilon}} \exp(2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2) e^{-x_N C_\varepsilon}. \quad (14)$$

Proof. Since  $u \in G_{x_N}^\beta$  then using Lemma 3, we get

$$\|u(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq C_\varepsilon^{-2\beta} e^{-2x_N C_\varepsilon} \|w\|_{G_{x_N}^\beta}^2.$$

Lemma 2 and the triangle inequality lead to

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 &\leq 2\|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + 2\|u(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \\ &\leq 2C_\varepsilon^{-2\beta} e^{-2x_N C_\varepsilon} \|u(x_N)\|_{G_{x_N}^\beta}^2 + 4 \exp(2(T - x_N)C_\varepsilon) \|\varphi^\varepsilon - \varphi\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \\ &\quad + 4K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)(T - x_N) \int_{x_N}^T \exp(2(\tau - x_N)C_\varepsilon) \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(\tau) - u(\tau)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 d\tau. \quad (15) \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying (15) by  $e^{2x_N C_\varepsilon}$  and applying Gronwall's inequality, we get

$$e^{2x_N C_\varepsilon} \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq \left[ 2C_\varepsilon^{-2\beta} \sup_{0 \leq x_N \leq T} \|u(x_N)\|_{G_{x_N}^\beta}^2 + 4e^{2TC_\varepsilon} \varepsilon^2 \right] \exp(4K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2),$$

which leads to the desired result

$$\|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq \sqrt{2C_\varepsilon^{-2\beta} I_2^2 + 4e^{2TC_\varepsilon} \varepsilon^2} \exp(2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2) e^{-x_N C_\varepsilon}.$$

This completes the proof.

The next theorem provides an error estimate in the Hilbert scales  $\{H^p(\Omega)\}_{p \in \mathbb{R}}$  which is equipped with a norm defined by

$$\|f\|_{H^p(\Omega)}^2 = \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=1}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_{N-1}=1}^{\infty} (n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2)^p \left| \langle f, \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}} \rangle \right|^2.$$

**Theorem 3.** Assume that the problem (1) has a unique  $u$  which satisfies (13). Let us choose  $C_\varepsilon$  and  $M_\varepsilon$  such that  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon C_\varepsilon^p e^{TC_\varepsilon} = 0$  and  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} e^{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2} e^{-\alpha C_\varepsilon} C_\varepsilon^p = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} e^{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2} \varepsilon C_\varepsilon^p e^{TC_\varepsilon} = 0$ , then we have

$$\|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)} \leq \left[ (\sqrt{2} + 1) e^{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2} e^{-\alpha C_\varepsilon} I_3 + 2 e^{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2} \varepsilon e^{TC_\varepsilon} \right] C_\varepsilon^p e^{-x_N C_\varepsilon}, \quad x_N \in [0, T].$$

**Proof.** First, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)}^2 &= \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2 \left| \langle u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x', x_N) - u(x', x_N), \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x') \rangle \right|^2 \\ \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)}^2 &\leq C_\varepsilon^{2p} \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \leq C_\varepsilon}} \left| \langle u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x', x_N) - u(x', x_N), \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x') \rangle \right|^2 \leq C_\varepsilon^{2p} \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from theorem 2 that

$$\|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)} \leq \exp(2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2) C_\varepsilon^p e^{-x_N C_\varepsilon} \sqrt{2e^{-2\alpha C_\varepsilon} \sup_{0 \leq x_N \leq T} \|u(x_N)\|_{G_{x_N+\alpha}^0}^2 + 4\varepsilon^2 e^{2TC_\varepsilon}} \quad (16)$$

On the other hand, we consider the function

$$G(\xi) = \xi^p e^{-D\xi}, \quad D > 0.$$

Since  $G'(\xi) = \xi^{p-1} e^{-D\xi} (p - D\xi)$ , it follows that  $G$  is decreasing when  $D\xi \geq p$ . Thus if  $\varepsilon \leq e^{\frac{-p(T+\alpha)}{2\alpha}}$  i.e.,  $2(x_N + \alpha)C_\varepsilon \geq p$ , then for  $n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2 \geq C_\varepsilon^2$ , we get

$$n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2 \geq \exp(-2(x_N + \alpha) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) \leq C_\varepsilon^{2p} e^{-2(x_N + \alpha)C_\varepsilon},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\|u(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)}^2 \\ &= \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \geq C_\varepsilon}} n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2 \left| \langle u(x', x_N), \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x') \rangle \right|^2 \\ &\leq C_\varepsilon^{2p} \exp(-2(x_N + \alpha)C_\varepsilon) \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N-1} \geq 1 \\ \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2} \geq C_\varepsilon}} \exp(2(x_N + \alpha) \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2 + \dots + n_{N-1}^2}) \left| \langle u(x', x_N), \phi_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{N-1}}(x') \rangle \right|^2 \\ &\leq C_\varepsilon^{2p} e^{-(x_N + \alpha)C_\varepsilon} \sup_{0 \leq x_N \leq T} \|u(x_N)\|_{G_{x_N+\alpha}^0}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\|u(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)} \leq C_\varepsilon^p e^{-(x_N + \alpha)C_\varepsilon} \sup_{0 \leq x_N \leq T} \|u(x_N)\|_{G_{x_N+\alpha}^0} \quad (17)$$

Combining (16) and (17), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)} &\leq \|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)} + \|u(x_N) - P_{C_\varepsilon} u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)} \\ &\leq \left[ \exp(2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2) \sqrt{2e^{-2\alpha C_\varepsilon} \sup_{0 \leq x_N \leq T} \|u(x_N)\|_{G_{x_N+\alpha}^0}^2 + 4\varepsilon^2 e^{2TC_\varepsilon}} + \sup_{0 \leq x_N \leq T} \|u(x_N)\|_{G_{x_N+\alpha}^0} e^{-\alpha C_\varepsilon} \right] C_\varepsilon^p e^{-x_N C_\varepsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

The inequality  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \leq a + b$  for  $a, b \geq 0$  leads to

$$\|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{H^p(\Omega)} \leq [(\sqrt{2} + 1)e^{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2} e^{-\alpha C_\varepsilon} I_3 + 2e^{K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2} \varepsilon e^{TC_\varepsilon}] C_\varepsilon^p e^{-x_N C_\varepsilon}. \quad \square$$

**Remark 1.** In theorem 2, let us choose  $C_\varepsilon = \frac{\gamma}{T} \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)$ , for  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$  and  $M_\varepsilon$  such that

$$K_F M_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}T} \sqrt{\beta - r \ln\left(\frac{\gamma}{T} \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)\right)},$$

for  $r \in [0, \beta]$ . It is easy to check that  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \exp(2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2)C_\varepsilon^{-\beta} = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \exp(2K_F^2(M_\varepsilon)T^2)\varepsilon e^{TC_\varepsilon} = 0$ .

Then (14) becomes

$$\|u_{\varepsilon, \varphi^\varepsilon}(x_N) - u(x_N)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq \sqrt{2I_2^2 + 4\varepsilon^{2-2\gamma} \left[\frac{\gamma}{T} \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)\right]^{2\beta} \left[\frac{\gamma}{T} \ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)\right]^{-r} \varepsilon^{\frac{x_N \gamma}{T}}}.$$

### CONCLUSION

In this paper, we investigate the Cauchy problem for a ND nonlinear elliptic equation in a bounded domain. We apply the Fourier truncation method for regularizing the problem. Error estimates between the regularized solution and exact solution are established in  $H^p$  space under some priori assumptions on the exact solution. In future, we will

consider the Cauchy problem for a coupled system for nonlinear elliptic equations in three dimensions.

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# Đánh giá $H^p$ cho bài toán Cauchy cho phương trình elliptic phi tuyến

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## TÓM TẮT

Trong bài báo này, chúng tôi nghiên cứu bài toán Cauchy cho phương trình elliptic phi tuyến trên miền bị chặn trong không gian nhiều chiều. Như đã biết, bài toán này là không chính. Chúng tôi sử dụng phương pháp chặt cụt Fourier để chính hóa nghiệm của bài toán. Đánh giá sai số

giữa nghiệm chính hóa và nghiệm chính xác được thiết lập trong không gian  $H^p$  với các giả thiết cho trước về tính trơn của nghiệm chính xác.

**Từ khóa:** phuong trình elliptic phi tuyén, bài toán không chính, chính hóa, phuong pháp chát cüt

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