

一类非线性斯图摸 - 刘维尔方程 两点边值问题解的存在性

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摘要 本文讨论了如下非线性斯图摸 - 刘维尔方程的第一边值问题

$$\begin{cases} p(x)u''(x) + f(u(x)) = 0, & 0 < x < 1, \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

解的存在性, 其中 $p(x)$ 在区间 $[0, 1]$ 上是 x 的分段常数.

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1 引言

自从 Erbe L H 和 Wang H 在 [1] 中首先利用 Krasnoselskii 不动点定理研究了方程 $u'' + a(t)f(u) = 0$ 的正解的存在性以来, 对于非线性斯图摸 - 刘维尔边值问题的正解的存在性研究一直为世人所关注. 国内郭大钧教授和他的团队也在 [2] 中利用拓扑度理论, 临界点理论, 上下解方法深入研究了以下边值问题:

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$$\begin{cases} (p(x)u'(x))' = f(u(x)), & x \in [a, b], \\ R_1(u) = \alpha_1 u(a) + \beta_1 u'(a) = 0, \\ R_2(u) = \alpha_2 u(b) + \beta_2 u'(b) = 0. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

当 $p(x) \in C^1[a, b]$, $p(x) > 0$ 时解的存在性, 获得了一批重要的成果. 此后, 更有一系列的相关文章发表^[3-7].

纵观以上文献, 所有成果都是在 $p(x)$ 存在一阶连续导数的条件下获得的, 不少作者干脆取 $p(x) = \pm 1$. 然而对实际问题中的非线性斯图摸 - 刘维尔方程边值问题来说, 常会遇到 $p(x)$ 具有某种间断性的情况, 比如阶梯杆的平衡或纵振动问题就是如此. 因此有必要放宽对 $p(x)$ 的要求, 基于这一认识, 本文着重讨论 $p(x)$ 是分段常数的情况, 即讨论如下非线性斯图摸 - 刘维尔方程的边值问题解的存在性:

$$\begin{cases} p(x)u''(x) + f(u(x)) = 0, & 0 < x < 1, \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

这里 $f \in C(R_+, R_+)$ 且有

$$f(0) = 0, \quad p(x) = \begin{cases} p_1, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ p_2, & c \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

c 是介于 0 和 1 之间的常数. 不失一般性, 可以假设 $p_1 \geq p_2 > 0$.

2 预备知识

2.1 相关的格林函数

参照文献 [2], 通过计算可得齐次边值问题 (2) 的 Green 函数为: 当 $0 \leq s \leq c$ 时,

$$G_1(x, s) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{p_1} \left(1 - \frac{p_2 s}{p_2 c + p_1 - p_1 c}\right) \triangleq G_{11}(x, s), & 0 \leq x \leq s \leq c, \\ \frac{s}{p_1} \left(1 - \frac{p_2 x}{p_2 c + p_1 - p_1 c}\right) \triangleq G_{12}(x, s), & 0 \leq s \leq x \leq c, \\ \frac{s(1-x)}{p_2 c + p_1 - p_1 c} \triangleq G_{13}(x, s), & 0 \leq s \leq c \leq x < 1. \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

而当 $c \leq s \leq 1$ 时,

$$G_2(x, s) = \begin{cases} \frac{x(1-s)}{p_2 c + p_1 - p_1 c} \triangleq G_{21}(x, s), & 0 \leq x \leq c \leq s, \\ \frac{(p_1 x + p_2 c - p_1 c)(1-s)}{p_2(p_2 c + p_1 - p_1 c)} \triangleq G_{22}(x, s), & c \leq x \leq s \leq 1, \\ \frac{(p_1 s + p_2 c - p_1 c)(1-x)}{p_2(p_2 c + p_1 - p_1 c)} \triangleq G_{23}(x, s), & c \leq s \leq x \leq c. \end{cases} \quad (3')$$

引理 1 设 $G_{ij}(x, s)$ ($i = 1, 2$; $j = 1, 2, 3$) 为齐次问题 (2) 的形如式 (3) 和 (3') 的 Green 函数, 则

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad & G_{ij}(x, s) > 0, \forall (x, s) \in (0, 1) \times (0, 1); \\ & G'_{12x}(s^+, s) - G'_{11x}(s^-, s) = -1/p_1, \quad G'_{23x}(s^+, s) - G'_{22x}(s^-, s) = -1/p_2; \\ & G_{11}(x, c) = G_{21}(x, c), \quad G'_{11x}(x, c) = G'_{21x}(x, c); \\ & G_{13}(x, c) = G_{23}(x, c), \quad G'_{13x}(x, c) = G'_{23x}(x, c); \end{aligned}$$

$$(iii) \quad G_{ij}(x, s) \leq G_i(s, s), \forall (x, s) \in (0, 1) \times (0, 1);$$

$$(iv) \quad G_{ij}(x, s) \geq \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)}{p_1+(p_2-p_1)c}G_i(s, s), \text{ 其中 } 0 < \varepsilon < \min(c, 1-c), \quad c-\varepsilon < x < 1-c+\varepsilon.$$

证 由 $p_1 \geq p_2 > 0$, $p_2c + p_1 - p_1c > 0$, 命题 (i) 显然成立. 直接代入检验可知 (ii) 成立. 下面证明 (iii) 和 (iv).

$$(iii) \quad G_{11}(x, s) = \frac{x}{p_1} \left(1 - \frac{p_2s}{p_2c+p_1-p_1c}\right) \leq \frac{s}{p_1} \left(1 - \frac{p_2s}{p_2c+p_1-p_1c}\right) = G_1(s, s).$$

同理可证 $G_{12}(x, s) \leq G_1(s, s)$, $G_{22}(x, s) \leq G_2(s, s)$, $G_{23}(x, s) \leq G_2(s, s)$. 又

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{G_{13}(x, s)}{G_1(s, s)} &= \frac{p_1(1-x)}{p_2(c-s)+p_1(1-c)} \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq s \leq c \leq x \leq 1, \\ \frac{G_{21}(x, s)}{G_2(s, s)} &= \frac{p_2x}{p_2c+p_1(s-c)} \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq x \leq c \leq s \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

(iv)

$$\frac{G_{11}(x, s)}{G_1(s, s)} = \frac{x}{s} \geq \frac{c-\varepsilon}{c} \geq \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)}{p_2c+p_1-p_1c}, \quad c-\varepsilon \leq x \leq s \leq c,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{G_{12}(x, s)}{G_1(s, s)} &= \frac{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c - p_2x}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c - p_2s} \geq \frac{p_2 - p_2(1-c+\varepsilon)}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c} \\ &\geq \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c}, \quad 0 \leq s \leq x \leq c, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{G_{13}(x, s)}{G_1(s, s)} &= \frac{p_1(1-x)}{p_2(c-s)+p_1(1-c)} \geq \frac{p_1(c-\varepsilon)}{p_2c+p_1(1-c)} \\ &\geq \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)}{p_2c+p_1(1-c)}, \quad 0 \leq s \leq c \leq x \leq 1-c+\varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{G_{21}(x, s)}{G_2(s, s)} = \frac{p_2x}{p_2+p_1(s-c)} \geq \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)}{p_2c+p_1(1-c)}, \quad c-\varepsilon \leq x \leq c \leq s \leq 1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{G_{22}(x, s)}{G_2(s, s)} &= \frac{p_1x + (p_2 - p_1)c}{p_1s + (p_2 - p_1)c} \geq \frac{p_2c + p_1(x-c)}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c} \\ &\geq \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)}{p_2c+p_1(1-c)}, \quad c \leq x \leq s \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{G_{23}(x, s)}{G_2(s, s)} &= \frac{1-x}{1-s} \geq \frac{c-\varepsilon}{1-c} \geq \frac{p_1(c-\varepsilon)}{p_2c+p_1(1-c)} \\ &\geq \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)}{p_2c+p_1(1-c)}, \quad c \leq s \leq x \leq 1-c+\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

所以 (iv) 得证.

2.2 非线性 S-L 边值问题解的积分公式

下面考察带有非线性项的边值问题:

$$\begin{cases} p(x)u''(x) + f(u(x)) = 0, & 0 < x < 1, \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0, \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

其中 $f \in C(R_+, R_+)$ 且 $f(0) = 0$,

$$p(x) = \begin{cases} p_1, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ p_2, & c \leq x \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

c 是介于 0 和 1 之间的常数.

引理 2 若 $u(x)$ 由

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} \int_0^x G_{12}f(u(s)) ds + \int_x^c G_{11}f(u(s)) ds + \int_c^1 G_{21}f(u(s)) ds, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ \int_0^c G_{13}f(u(s)) ds + \int_c^x G_{23}f(u(s)) ds + \int_x^1 G_{22}f(u(s)) ds, & c \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

来确定, 则 $u(x)$ 满足式 (4) 且 $u(x) \in C^2[0, 1]$, 即 $u(x)$ 是边值问题 (4) 的正解.

证 对 $u(x)$ 微分一次, 注意到 $G(x, s)$ 的连续性和引理 1 之 (ii), 得

$$u'(x) = \begin{cases} G_{12}f(u)|_{s=x} + \int_0^x G'_{12x}f(u) ds - G_{11}f(u)|_{s=x} + \int_x^c G'_{11x}f(u) ds \\ + \int_c^1 G'_{21x}f(u) ds, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ \int_0^c G'_{13x}f(u) ds + G_{23}f(u)|_{s=x} + \int_c^x G'_{23x}f(u) ds - G_{22}f(u)|_{s=x} \\ + \int_x^1 G'_{22x}f(u) ds, & c \leq x \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \int_0^x G'_{12x}f(u) ds + \int_x^c G'_{11x}f(u) ds + \int_c^1 G'_{21x}f(u) ds, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ \int_0^c G'_{13x}f(u) ds + \int_c^x G'_{23x}f(u) ds + \int_x^1 G'_{22x}f(u) ds, & c \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

对上式再微分一次, 注意到 $G(x, s)$ 所满足的齐次方程和引理 1 之 (ii), 得:

$$u''(x) = \begin{cases} G'_{12x}(x, s)f(u(s))|_0^x + G'_{11x}(x, s)f(u(s))|_x^c + G'_{21x}(x, s)f(u(s))|_c^1, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ G'_{13x}(x, s)f(u(s))|_0^c + G'_{23x}(x, s)f(u(s))|_c^x + G'_{22x}(x, s)f(u(s))|_x^1, & c \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} -f(u(x))/p_1, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ -f(u(x))/p_2, & c \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

易见由式 (5) 所表出的 $u(x)$ 是边值问题 (4) 的解. 证毕.

2.3 范数形式的锥拉伸与锥压缩不动点定理

引理 3 设 Ω_1 和 Ω_2 是 E 中有界开集, $\theta \subset \Omega_1 \subset \overline{\Omega}_1 \subset \Omega_2$, $A : P \cap (\overline{\Omega}_2 \setminus \Omega_1) \rightarrow P$ 全连续. 如果满足条件

$$(H_1) \quad \|Au\| \leq \|u\|, \quad \forall x \in P \cap \partial\Omega_1; \quad \|Au\| \geq \|u\|, \quad \forall x \in P \cap \partial\Omega_2.$$

(H₂) $|Au| \leq \|u\|, \forall x \in P \cap \partial\Omega_2; \|Au\| \geq \|u\|, \forall x \in P \cap \partial\Omega_1.$

那么, A 在 $P \cap (\bar{\Omega}_2 \setminus \Omega_1)$ 中必具有不动点.

引理 3 的证明参见 [2] 之定理 3.2.4.

3 主要结果

定理 1 假设

- (i) $f \in C(R_+, R_+), f(0) = 0;$
- (ii) $0 \leq \overline{\lim}_{u \rightarrow +0} \frac{f(u)}{u} < \frac{8p_2(p_2c+p_1-p_1c)^2}{(p_2c^2+p_1-p_1c^2)^2};$
- (iii) $\frac{9(p_2c+p_1-p_1c)^2}{p_2\sqrt{3c^3(1-c)^3}} < \underline{\lim}_{u \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{f(u)}{u} \leq +\infty.$

那么问题 (4) 必有解 $u(x) \in C^2[0, 1]$ 满足 $u(x) > 0, \forall 0 < x < 1$.

证 根据引理 2, 问题 (4) 属于 $C^2[0, 1]$ 的解等价于

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} \int_0^x G_{12}f(u(s)) ds + \int_x^c G_{11}f(u(s)) ds \\ + \int_c^1 G_{21}f(u(s)) ds, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ \int_0^c G_{13}f(u(s)) ds + \int_c^x G_{23}f(u(s)) ds \\ + \int_x^1 G_{22}f(u(s)) ds, & c \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases} = Au(x) \quad (6)$$

属于 $C[0, 1]$ 的解, 并且 Green 函数的表达式如式 (3) 和 (3') 所示. 令 $P^* = \{u(x) | u(x) \in C[0, 1], u(x) \geq 0\}$.

对于 $0 < \varepsilon < \min(c, 1 - c)$, 又令

$$P_\varepsilon^* = \left\{ u(x) | u(x) \in P^*, \min u(x) \geq \frac{p_2(c - \varepsilon)}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c} \|u\| (c - \varepsilon \leq x \leq 1 - c + \varepsilon) \right\}, \quad (7)$$

易知 P^* 与 P_ε^* 都是空间 $E = C[0, 1]$ 中的锥, 并且 $P_\varepsilon^* \subset P^*$, 显然 $A : P^* \rightarrow P^*$ 全连续.

设 $u(x) \in P^*$. 由引理 2 和引理 1 的 (iii) 知

$$\|Au\| \leq \begin{cases} \int_0^x G_1(s, s)f(u(s)) ds + \int_x^c G_1(s, s)f(u(s)) ds \\ + \int_c^1 G_2(s, s)f(u(s)) ds, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ \int_0^c G_1(s, s)f(u(s)) ds + \int_c^x G_2(s, s)f(u(s)) ds \\ + \int_x^1 G_2(s, s)f(u(s)) ds, & c \leq x \leq 1 \\ = \int_0^c G_1(s, s)f(u(s)) ds + \int_c^1 G_2(s, s)f(u(s)) ds. & \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

另一方面由引理 1 的 (iv) 知, 当 $c - \varepsilon < x < 1 - c + \varepsilon$ 时有

$$\min Au(x) \geq \frac{p_2(c - \varepsilon)}{p_2c + p_1 - p_1c} \left(\int_0^c G_1(s, s)f(u(s)) ds + \int_c^1 G_2(s, s)f(u(s)) ds \right). \quad (9)$$

由 (8), (9) 知, 当 $c - \varepsilon < x < 1 - c + \varepsilon$ 时有 $\min Au(x) \geq \frac{p_2(c - \varepsilon)}{p_2c + p_1 - p_1c} \|Au\|$, 即 $Au(x) \in P_\varepsilon^*$, 由此可知 $A(P^*) \subset P_\varepsilon^*$, 从而更有

$$A(P_\varepsilon^*) \subset P_\varepsilon^*, \quad \forall 0 < \varepsilon < \min(c, 1 - c). \quad (10)$$

由定理 1 的条件 (ii) 及 $f(0) = 0$ 知, 存在 $r > 0$, 使得 $0 \leq x \leq r$ 时, 恒有

$$0 \leq f(u) < \frac{8p_2(p_2c + p_1 - p_1c)^2}{(p_2c^2 + p_1 - p_1c^2)^2} u,$$

从而当 $u(x) \in P^*$, $\|u\| = r$ 时, 恒有

$$\begin{aligned} Au(x) &\leq \frac{8p_2(p_2c + p_1 - p_1c)^2}{(p_2c^2 + p_1 - p_1c^2)^2} \\ &\cdot \begin{cases} \int_0^x G_{12}(x, s)u(s) ds + \int_x^c G_{11}(x, s)u(s) ds + \int_c^1 G_{21}(x, s)u(s) ds, \\ \int_0^c G_{13}(x, s)u(s) ds + \int_c^x G_{23}(x, s)u(s) ds + \int_x^1 G_{22}(x, s)u(s) ds \end{cases} \\ &\leq \frac{8p_2(p_2c + p_1 - p_1c)^2}{(p_2c^2 + p_1 - p_1c^2)^2} \|u\| \\ &\cdot \begin{cases} \int_0^x G_{12}(x, s) ds + \int_x^c G_{11}(x, s) ds + \int_c^1 G_{21}(x, s) ds, \\ \int_0^c G_{13}(x, s) ds + \int_c^x G_{23}(x, s) ds + \int_x^1 G_{22}(x, s) ds \end{cases} \\ &\leq \frac{8p_2(p_2c + p_1 - p_1c)^2}{(p_2c^2 + p_1 - p_1c^2)^2} \|u\| \\ &\cdot \begin{cases} -\frac{x^2}{2p_1} + \frac{p_1c^2 - p_2c^2 - p_1}{2p_1(p_1c - p_2c - p_1)} x, & 0 \leq x \leq c, \\ -\frac{x^2}{2p_2} + \frac{p_1c^2 - p_2c^2 - p_1}{2p_2(p_1c - p_2c - p_1)} x - \frac{p_1c^2 - p_2c^2 + p_2c - p_1c}{2p_2(p_1c - p_2c - p_1)}, & c \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases} \\ &\leq \|u\|, \quad \forall 0 < x < 1, \end{aligned}$$

故有

$$\|Au\| \leq \|u\|, \quad \forall u(x) \in P^*, \quad \|u\| = r. \quad (11)$$

另一方面, 由条件 (iii) 知存在 $\eta > 0$ 使得当 $u \geq \eta$ 时, 恒有 $f(u) \geq \frac{9(p_2c + p_1 - p_1c)^2}{p_2\sqrt{3c^3(1-c)^3}} u$. 令

$$R_\varepsilon = \max \left\{ 2r, \eta \left[\frac{p_2(c - \varepsilon)}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c} \right]^{-1} \right\}. \quad (12)$$

于是 $R_\varepsilon > r$, 当 $u(x) \in P_\varepsilon^*$ 且 $\|u(x)\| = R_\varepsilon$ 和 $c - \varepsilon < x < 1 - c + \varepsilon$ 时, 有

$$\min Au(x) \geq \frac{p_2(c - \varepsilon)}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c} \|Au\| = \frac{p_2(c - \varepsilon)}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c} R_\varepsilon \geq \eta,$$

所以有

$$\begin{aligned}
 Au(c) &= \int_0^c \frac{s(1-c)}{p_2c + p_1 - p_1c} f(u(s)) ds + \int_c^1 \frac{c(1-s)}{p_2c + p_1 - p_1c} f(u(s)) ds \\
 &\geq \frac{9(p_2c + p_1 - p_1c)^2}{p_2\sqrt{3c^3(1-c)^3}} \cdot \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)\|u\|}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c} \\
 &\quad \cdot \left[\int_0^c \frac{s(1-c)}{p_2c + p_1 - p_1c} ds + \int_c^1 \frac{c(1-s)}{p_2c + p_1 - p_1c} ds \right] \\
 &\geq \frac{9(p_2c + p_1 - p_1c)^2}{p_2\sqrt{3c^3(1-c)^3}} \cdot \frac{p_2(c-\varepsilon)\|u\|}{p_1 + (p_2 - p_1)c} \cdot \frac{c(1-c) - (c-\varepsilon)^2}{2(p_2c + p_1 - p_1c)} \\
 &= \frac{9(c-\varepsilon)[c(1-c) - (c-\varepsilon)^2]}{2\sqrt{3c^3(1-c)^3}} \|u\|, \quad u(x) \in P_\varepsilon^*, \quad \|u\| = R_\varepsilon. \tag{13}
 \end{aligned}$$

令 $h(\varepsilon) = c(1-c)(c-\varepsilon) - (c-\varepsilon)^3$. 易知, 当

$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 = \frac{3c - \sqrt{3c(1-c)}}{3}$$

时 $h(\varepsilon)$ 达到区间 $[0, c]$ 上的最大值 $h(\varepsilon_0) = \frac{2\sqrt{3c^3(1-c)^3}}{9}$. 于是在 (13) 式中, 取 $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0$ 得

$$\|Au\| \geq \|u\|, \quad u(x) \in P_\varepsilon^*, \quad \|u\| = R_\varepsilon, \tag{14}$$

由式 (11), (13) 和 (14) 知, 对于 $\Omega_1 = \{u \mid \|u\| < r\}$, $\Omega_2 = \{u \mid \|u\| < R_{\varepsilon_0}\}$ 以及 P_{ε_0} 应用引理 1, 即知 A 在 $P_{\varepsilon_0}^* \cap (\overline{\Omega}_2 \setminus \Omega_1)$ 中具有不动点 $u(x)$, 于是 $u(x) \in P_{\varepsilon_0}^*$, $r \leq \|u\| \leq R_{\varepsilon_0}$.

由 $G_{ij}(x, s)$ 的性质, 显然有 $u(x) > 0$, $\forall 0 < x < 1$, 故定理得证.

4 小结

以上结果表明, 当 $p(x)$ 为分段常数时, 非线性 S-L 边值问题的正解的确是存在的. 还可以讨论 $p(x)$ 具有某种其他的间断性时非线性 S-L 边值问题的可解性. 顺便指出, 本文可以看作 [2] 中定理 3.2.8 的推广. 当取 $p_1 = p_2 = 1$ 和 $c = 1/2$ 时, 本文定理 1 回到 [2] 的定理 3.2.8.

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Existence of Solutions for a Kind of Two-point Boundary Value Problems of Nonlinear Sturm-Liouville Equation

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Abstract In this paper, we considered the existence of solutions to the first boundary value of the nonlinear Sturm-Liouville equation:

$$\begin{cases} p(x)u''(x) + f(u(x)) = 0, & 0 < x < 1, \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

where $p(x)$ is a segmentation constant in interval $[0, 1]$.

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