

Problem # 1. (10 marks) Let Ω be a bounded and smooth domain of \mathbb{R}^n . Consider the problem

$$(P_1) \quad \begin{cases} u_t(x, t) - (\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u(x, t)|^2 dx) \Delta u(x, t) = f(x, t) & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, +\infty) \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times [0, +\infty) \end{cases}$$

where $u_0 \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ and $f \in L^2(\Omega \times (0, +\infty))$. Show that (P_1) has a unique weak solution $u \in L^2((0, +\infty); H_0^1(\Omega))$.

Problem # 2. (10 marks) In a bounded and smooth domain of \mathbb{R}^n , consider the problem

$$(P_2) \quad \begin{cases} u_{tt}(x, t) + \Delta^2 u(x, t) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, +\infty) \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), \quad u_t(x, 0) = u_1(x) & \text{in } \Omega \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} = u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times [0, +\infty) \end{cases}$$

If $u_0 \in H^4(\Omega) \cap H_0^2(\Omega)$ and $u_1 \in H_0^2(\Omega)$, show that (P_2) has a unique solution

$$u \in C([0, +\infty), H^4(\Omega) \cap H_0^2(\Omega)) \cap C^1([0, +\infty), H_0^2(\Omega)) \cap C^2([0, +\infty), L^2(\Omega))$$

Problem # 3. (10 marks) Given the nonlinear problem

$$(P_3) \quad \begin{cases} u_{tt}(x, t) - \Delta u(x, t) + h(u(x, t)) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, +\infty) \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), \quad u_t(x, 0) = u_1(x) & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times [0, +\infty) \end{cases}$$

where Ω is a bounded and smooth domain of \mathbb{R}^n , $u_0 \in H_0^1(\Omega)$, $u_1 \in L^2(\Omega)$ and $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is such that

$$|h(s)| \leq \alpha|s| \text{ and } H(s) = \int_0^s h(\xi)d\xi \geq 0, \quad \alpha > 0.$$

- a. Use Galerkin method to establish an existence result for (P_3)
- b. If h is increasing, show that the solution is unique.