One class of inverse problems for reconstructing the process of heat conduction from nonlocal data

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Abstract: We consider one class of inverse problems for a one-dimensional heat equation with involution and with periodic type boundary conditions with respect to a space variable.

We will consider the process which is so slow that it is described by an heat equation. Thus, this process is described by the equation

(1)
$$D_t \Phi(x,t) - \Phi_{xx}(x,t) + \varepsilon \Phi_{xx}(-x,t) = f(x)$$

in the domain $\Omega = \{(x,t) : -\pi < x < \pi, 0 < t < T\}$. Here f(x) is the influence of an external source that does not change with time; t = 0 is an initial time point and t = T is a final one.

In this report, several variants of the operator D_t will be considered. Problems for a classical heat equation and for an equation with fractional derivatives with respect to a time variable are considered:

$$i) \quad D_t \Phi(x,t) = \Phi_t(x,t);$$

$$ii) \quad D_t \Phi(x,t) = t^{-\beta} D_C^{\alpha} \Phi(x,t), \quad D_C^{\alpha} \varphi(t) = I^{1-\alpha} \left[\frac{d}{dt} \varphi(t) \right], \ 0 < \alpha < 1.$$

Where $D_{C\ t}^{\alpha}$ is a Caputo derivative and $I^{1-\alpha}$ is a Riemann-Liouville fractional integral.

As the additional information we take values of the initial and final conditions of the temperature

(2)
$$\Phi(x,0) = \phi(x), \quad \Phi(x,T) = \psi(x), \quad x \in [-\pi,\pi].$$

Since the wire is closed, it is natural to assume that the temperature at the ends of the wire is the same at all times:

(3)
$$\Phi\left(-\pi,t\right) = \Phi\left(\pi,t\right), \ t \in [0,T]$$

Consider the process in which the temperature at one end at every time point t is proportional to the rate of change speed of the average value of the temperature throughout the wire. Then,

(4)
$$\Phi(-\pi,t) = \gamma D_t \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \Phi(\xi,t) \, d\xi, \ t \in [0,T] \, .$$

Here γ is a proportionality coefficient.

Thus the investigated process is reduced to the following mathematical inverse problem: Find a right-hand side f(x) of the heat equation (1), and its solution $\Phi(x,t)$ subject to the initial and final conditions (2), the boundary condition (3), and condition (4).

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