

Exercise Sheet 8 “Nonlinear Partial Differential Equations”
(parabolic PDEs)

Exercise 1. Let V be a reflexive, separable Banach-space and $X := L^p(0, T; V)$ for some $p \in (1, \infty)$. Consider an operator $A : V \rightarrow V'$ which has a space-time-interpretation $A : X \rightarrow X'$. Show that

- (i) A is V -monotone if and only if A is X -monotone.
- (ii) A bounded operator A satisfying $\|Av\|_{V'} \leq C\|v\|_V^{p-1}$ for all $v \in V$ is V -hemi-continuous (resp. V -demi-continuous) if and only if A is X -hemi-continuous (resp. X -demi-continuous).

Exercise 2. Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a bounded domain with smooth boundary and $T > 0$. Consider the operator $A : H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow H^{-1}(\Omega)$ defined as

$$A(u) := -\operatorname{div}(a(u)\nabla u),$$

where $a \in C(\mathbb{R})$ and $0 < \delta_1 \leq a(u) \leq \delta_2$. Show that

- (i) $A(u(\cdot)) : [0, T] \rightarrow H^{-1}(\Omega)$ is measurable for all $u \in X = L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega))$;
- (ii) $A : X \rightarrow X'$;
- (iii) $A : X \rightarrow X'$ is bounded;
- (iv) $A : X \rightarrow X'$ is coercive.

Exercise 3. Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a bounded domain with smooth boundary, $2 \leq p < \infty$ and $T > 0$. Consider the initial/boundary-value problem

$$\begin{cases} u_t - \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{p-2}\nabla u) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times [0, T], \\ u(\cdot, t = 0) = u_0 & \text{in } \Omega, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

with $u_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$. Show that a unique weak solution $u \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ exists.

The solutions will be sent to boris.nectoux@asc.tuwien.ac.at before Thursday 16th of May to be corrected.