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# ON SOME NONLINEAR INTEGRAL AND INTEGRO-DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH NONCOMPACT OPERATORS ON POSITIVE HALF-LINE

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**Abstract.** The paper is devoted to the studying certain classes of nonlinear integral and integro-differential with non-compact Hammerstein type operators. These equations have important applications in the kinetic theory of gases and in the wealth distribution theory of a one product economics.

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#### 1. Introduction

The work is devoted to the solvability in certain functional spaces of the following classes of nonlinear integral and integro-differential equations with a non-compact Hammerstein-Wiener-Hopf type operator,

$$f(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x - t) N_0(t, f(t)) dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x + t) N_1(t, f(t)) dt, \quad x > 0,$$
 (1)

$$\begin{cases}
\frac{d\varphi}{dx} + \lambda \varphi(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} T(x - t)H(t, \varphi(t))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} T_{1}(x + t)H_{1}(t, \varphi(t))dt, & x > 0, \\
\varphi(0) = 0
\end{cases} \tag{2}$$

w.r.t. the functions f(x) and  $\varphi(x)$ , respectively.

Apart from a mathematical interest, these classes of equations have direct applications in the kinetic theory of gases (equation (1)) and in the econometric theory (problem (2)-(3)) (see [1]-[4]).

For equation (1) we suppose

$$K_0(x) \ge 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad K_0 \in L_1(\mathbb{R}) \cap L_\infty(\mathbb{R}), \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} K_0(x) dx = 1,$$
 (4)

$$K_1(x) \ge 0, \quad K_1 \not\equiv 0, \quad \int_x^\infty K_1(\tau) d\tau \leqslant \int_x^\infty K_0(\tau) d\tau, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+ \equiv (0, +\infty).$$
 (5)

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In problem (2)-(3),  $\lambda$  is a positive scalar parameter of equation (2), and kernels T and  $T_1$ satisfy the following conditions,

$$T_1(x) \ge 0, \quad T_1 \ne 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad T_1 \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+),$$
 (6)

$$T_1(x) \ge 0, \quad T_1 \not\equiv 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad T_1 \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+),$$

$$T(x) \ge 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad T \in L_1(\mathbb{R}), \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} T(x) dx = \lambda,$$

$$(6)$$

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} T_{1}(z)dz \leqslant \int_{x}^{\infty} T(z)dz, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{+},$$
(8)

$$\nu(T) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tau T(\tau) d\tau < -1, \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\tau|^j T(\tau) d\tau < +\infty, \quad j = 1, 2.$$
 (9)

 $N_0, N_1, H$ , and  $H_1$  are real functions defined on the set  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}$  and satisfying certain conditions (see Theorems 1-3).

In the linear case, as  $N_0(t,z) \equiv N_1(t,z) \equiv z$ , numerous papers were devoted to studying equation (1) (see [5]–[8] and the references therein).

In the case  $K_0(x) = K_1(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}e^{-x^2}$  and  $N_0(t,z) = N_1(t,z) = z^p$ ,  $p \in (0,1)$ , due to an important application in the p-adic string theory, equation (1) was studied in works [9]-[12].

In the case  $N_0(t,z) \equiv G(z)$ ,  $N_1(t,z) \equiv G_1(z)$ ,  $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , where  $G,G_1 \in C[0,\eta]$ ,  $G(z) \geq z$ ,  $G_1(z) \geq 0, z \in [0,\eta], G, G_1 \uparrow \text{ on } [0,\eta] \text{ and } G(\eta) = G_1(\eta) = \eta \text{ for some } \eta > 0, \text{ equation } (1)$ was studied in work [13] and the existence of a positive and bounded solution tending to  $\eta$  at infinity was proven.

In the case  $N_0(t,z) \equiv z - \omega(z)$ ,  $N_1(t,z) \equiv 0$ , and  $K_0(-x) = K_0(x)$ , x > 0,  $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |x|^j K_0(x) dx < \infty$  $+\infty$ , j=1,2, where  $0 \leq \omega \downarrow$  w.r.t. z on  $[A,+\infty)$ , A>0,  $\omega \in C[A,+\infty) \cap L_1(0,+\infty)$ , in work [14], the existence of a one-parametric family of positive solutions with the asymptotic behavior O(x) as  $x \to +\infty$  was proven. Later, in works [15, 16], this result was generalized first for the case  $\nu(K_0) \leqslant 0$ ,  $N_0(t,z) \equiv \mu(t)(z - \overset{\circ}{\omega}(t,z))$ ,  $N_1(t,z) \equiv z$ , where  $0 < \mu(t) \leqslant 1$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $1 - \mu \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+)$ ,  $\overset{\circ}{\omega}(t,z) \geq 0$ ,  $\overset{\circ}{\omega}(t,z) \leqslant \omega(z)$ ,  $(t,z) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times [A, +\infty)$ ,  $\overset{\circ}{\omega} \downarrow$  w.r.t. z on  $[A, +\infty)$ , and after that, in [17, 18], for the cases  $N_0(t,z) \equiv \mu(t)(G(z) - \mathring{\omega}(t,z)), N_1(t,z) \equiv G_1(z)$ .

Recently, in [19], problem (2)-(3) was studied in the case H(t,z) = G(z),  $H_1 \equiv 0$ . In [19], a nonnegative and monotonically growing nonzero solution in the Sobolev space  $W^1_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+)$  was constructed.

In the present work we construct nonzero and nonnegative solutions to equations (1) and (2) for completely different conditions for  $N_0$ ,  $N_1$ , H, and  $H_1$ . We note also that for various values of  $\nu(K_0)$ , a solution to equation (1) is constructed in the spaces  $L_1(\mathbb{R}^+) \cap L_{\infty}^0(\mathbb{R}^+)$  and  $L^0_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+) \equiv \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and under conditions (6)-(9), a solution to } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and under conditions (6)-(9), a solution to } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and under conditions (6)-(9), a solution to } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and under conditions (6)-(9), a solution to } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and under conditions (6)-(9), a solution to } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \lim_{x \to \infty} \varphi(x) = 0\}, \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) : \varphi \in L_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \text{ and } \{\varphi(x) :$ problem (2)-(3) is constructed in the Sobolev space  $W_1^1(\mathbb{R}^+)$ .

# 2. Solvability of equation (1) in case of negativity of first moment for $\ker K$

Suppose for the functions  $N_0(t,z)$  and  $N_1(t,z)$  there exist numbers  $\eta > 0$  and  $\eta_0 \in (0,\eta)$  such that

1)  $N_0(t,z), N_1(t,z) \uparrow \text{w.r.t. } z \text{ on } [\Phi_{\eta_0}(t), \eta], \text{ for each fixed } t \in \mathbb{R}^+, \text{ where }$ 

$$\Phi_{\eta_0}(t) \equiv \eta_0 \int_t^\infty K_1(\tau) d\tau, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$
 (10)

2)  $N_0$  and  $N_1$  satisfy Caratheodory condition on the set  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times [0, \eta]$  w.r.t. z. In what follows, we write briefly this condition as

$$N_0, N_1 \in Carat_z(\mathbb{R}^+ \times [0, \eta]), \tag{11}$$

3) 
$$N_0(t,0) \equiv 0$$
,  $N_1(t,0) \equiv 0$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$  (12)

4) 
$$0 \le N_0(t, z) \le z$$
,  $(t, z) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times [\Phi_{\eta_0}(t), \eta]$  (13)

5) 
$$N_1(t, \Phi_{\eta_0}(t)) \ge \eta_0, \quad N_1(t, \eta) \le \eta.$$
 (14)

The following theorem holds true.

**Theorem 1.** Suppose kernels  $K_0$  and  $K_1$  satisfy conditions (4)-(5) and  $\nu(K_0) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tau K_0(\tau) d\tau < 0$ ,  $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\tau|^j K_0(\tau) d\tau < +\infty$ , j = 1, 2. Then equation (1) has a positive solution in the space  $L_1(\mathbb{R}^+) \cap L_{\infty}^0(\mathbb{R}^+)$ .

*Proof.* We first consider the Wiener-Hopf integral equation,

$$S(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x - t)S(t)dt, \quad x > 0,$$
(15)

for a real measurable function S(x), with a kernel  $K_0$  obeying the assumptions of the theorem. As it is known (see [20]), equation (15) has a positive bounded solution with the following properties,

$$S(x) \ge \eta(1 - \gamma_+), \quad S(x) \uparrow \text{w.r.t.} \quad x \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbb{R}^+$$
 (16)

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} S(x) = \eta, \tag{17}$$

$$\gamma_{+} \equiv \int_{0}^{\infty} v_{+}(x)dx \in (0,1). \tag{18}$$

Here the functions  $v_{\pm}(x) \geq 0$ ,  $v_{\pm}(x) \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+)$  are determined by Engibaryan's nonlinear factorization equations,

$$v_{\pm}(x) = K_0(\pm x) + \int_0^\infty v_{\mp}(t)v_{\pm}(x+t)dt, \quad x > 0,$$
(19)

and

$$\gamma_{-} \equiv \int_{0}^{\infty} v_{-}(x)dx = 1, \quad \gamma_{+} \in (0, 1).$$
(20)

In the recent work of one of the authors [21], as an auxiliary statement, the following additional properties of the function S(x)

$$\eta - S(x) \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+) \cap L_{\infty}^0(\mathbb{R}^+), \tag{21}$$

$$\eta - S(x) \ge \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} K_0(\tau) d\tau, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+$$
(22)

were proven. In what follows, we shall make use of inclusion (21) and inequality (22). We introduce the following successive approximations,

$$f_0(x) = \eta - S(x), \tag{23}$$

$$f_{n+1} = \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x-t)N_0(t, f_n(t))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x+t)N_1(t, f_n(t))dt,$$

$$n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, x \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$
(24)

By induction on n, let us prove the following properties of the sequence  $\{f_n(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ 

a) 
$$f_n(x) \downarrow \text{w.r.t.}$$
  $n$ , b)  $f_n(x) \ge \Phi_{\eta_0}(x)$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  (25)

We note that it follows immediately from (22) and  $\eta_0 \in (0, \eta)$  that

$$\eta \ge f_0(x) \ge \eta \int_{-\tau}^{\infty} K_0(\tau) d\tau \ge \eta_0 \int_{-\tau}^{\infty} K_1(\tau) d\tau = \Phi_{\eta_0}(x). \tag{26}$$

By (26) and the properties of the functions  $N_0$  and  $N_1$ , in (24) we get

$$f_{1}(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{0}(x - t)N_{0}(t, \eta - S(t))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{1}(x + t)N_{1}(t, \eta - S(t))dt \le$$

$$\le \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{0}(x - t)(\eta - S(t))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{1}(x + t)N_{1}(t, \eta)dt \le$$

$$\le \eta \int_{-\infty}^{x} K_{0}(\tau)d\tau - \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{0}(x - t)S(t)dt + \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} K_{1}(\tau)d\tau \le \eta - S(x) = f_{0}(x),$$

$$f_{1}(x) \ge \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{1}(x + t)N_{1}(t, f_{0}(t))dt \ge \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{1}(x + t)N_{1}(t, \Phi_{\eta_{0}}(t))dt \ge$$

$$\ge \eta_{0} \int_{x}^{\infty} K_{1}(\tau)d\tau = \Phi_{\eta_{0}}(x).$$

Suppose now that  $\Phi_{\eta_0}(x) \leqslant f_n(x) \leqslant f_{n-1}(x)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . Then by (24), (14), and the monotonicity of  $N_0$  and  $N_1$  we have

$$f_{n+1}(x) \leqslant \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x-t)N_0(t, f_{n-1}(t))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x+t)N_1(t, f_{n-1}(t))dt = f_n(x),$$

$$f_{n+1}(x) \ge \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x+t)N_1(t, \Phi_{\eta_0}(t))dt \ge \Phi_{\eta_0}(x).$$

Therefore, the sequence of the functions  $\{f_n(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  has a pointwise limit as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$ .

By condition (11) and the Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem (see [22]) it follows that f(x) satisfies equation (1). Moreover, properties (25) imply the following inequalities for the limiting function f(x),

$$\Phi_{\eta_0}(x) \leqslant f(x) \leqslant \eta - S(x). \tag{27}$$

Since  $\eta - S(x) \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+) \cap L_{\infty}^0(\mathbb{R}^+)$ , by (27) we obtain that f(x) > 0,  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+) \cap L_{\infty}^0(\mathbb{R}^+)$ . The proof is complete.

# 3. Solvability of equation (1) for even Kernel $K_0$

We proceed to solving equation (1) under other assumptions for the functions  $N_0$  and  $N_1$  in the case

$$K_0(-x) = K_0(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$
 (28)

The following theorem holds true.

**Theorem 2.** Given a measurable function  $Q : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ , let  $\zeta$  and  $\eta$  be the lowest positive roots of the equations Q(x) = 2x and Q(x) = x, respectively, and  $2\zeta < \eta$ ,  $Q \in C[0, \eta]$ ,  $Q(x) \uparrow w.r.t.$  x on  $[0, \eta]$ . Suppose that

- a)  $0 \leqslant N_0(t,z) \leqslant \eta Q(\eta z)$  as  $(t,z) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times [0,\eta]$ ,
- b)  $N_0, N_1 \in Carat_z(\mathbb{R}^+ \times [0, \eta]),$
- c)  $N_0, N_1 \uparrow w.r.t.$  z on the segment  $[0, \eta]$  for each fixed  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,
- d) there exists  $\eta_0 \in (0, \eta)$  such that

$$N_1(t, \Phi_{\eta_0}(t)) \ge \eta_0, \quad N_1(t, \eta) \ge \eta.$$

Then under conditions (4), (5), (28), equation (1) has a positive solution in the space  $L^0_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+)$ .

*Proof.* We consider first the following auxiliary nonlinear Hammerstein type integral equation

$$\psi(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x - t)Q(\psi(t))dt, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+$$
 (29)

w.r.t. the function  $\psi(x)$ . We define the iterations,

$$\psi_{n+1}(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x-t)Q(\psi_n(t))dt, \quad \psi_0(x) \equiv \eta, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
 (30)

Due to the properties of the functions Q and  $K_0$ , by the induction on n, one can easily make sure that

$$\psi_n(x) \quad \downarrow \text{w.r.t.} \quad n, \quad \psi_n(x) \ge \zeta, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

Therefore, the sequence of the functions  $\{\psi_n(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  has a pointwise limit  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \psi_n(x) = \psi(x)$  and by the Levi's theorem the limiting function satisfies equation (29) and the relation

$$\zeta \leqslant \psi(x) \leqslant \eta, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$
 (31)

By the induction it is also possible to prove that

$$\psi_n(x) \uparrow \text{w.r.t.} \quad x \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbb{R}^+, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
 (32)

if one write iterations (30) as follows,

$$\psi_{n+1}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} K_0(\tau)Q(\psi_n(x-\tau))d\tau, \quad \psi_0(x) \equiv \eta, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
 (33)

Hence, in view of (32), we obtain that

$$\psi(x) \uparrow \text{w.r.t.} \quad x \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbb{R}^+.$$
 (34)

Thus, due to (31) and (34) we can say that there exists

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \psi(x) \equiv \eta^* \leqslant \eta, \quad \eta^* > 0. \tag{35}$$

Passing in (29) to the limit as  $x \to \infty$ , by employing the known property of the convolutions and formula (4), we get  $\eta^* = Q(\eta^*)$ . Since  $\eta$  is a first positive root of the equation Q(x) = x and  $0 < \eta^* \le \eta$ , we have  $\eta^* = \eta$ .

Therefore,

$$0 \leqslant \eta - \psi \in L^0_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+). \tag{36}$$

Let us prove the following auxiliary inequality,

$$\eta - \psi(x) \ge \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} K_0(\tau) d\tau, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$
(37)

By (29), (4), and the properties of the function Q we have

$$\eta - \psi(x) = \eta - \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x - t)Q(\psi(t))dt = \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} K_0(\tau)d\tau + \eta \int_{-\infty}^{x} K_0(\tau)d\tau - \eta \int_{0}^{x} K_0(\tau)d\tau$$

$$-\int_{0}^{\infty} K_{0}(x-t)Q(\psi(t))dt = \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} K_{0}(\tau)d\tau + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{0}(x-t)(Q(\eta) - Q(\psi(t)))dt \ge \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} K_{0}(t)dt.$$

Consider the following iterations for equation (1),

$$\begin{cases}
f_{n+1}(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x-t)N_0(t, f_n(t))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x+t)N_1(t, f_n(t))dt, \\
f_0(x) = \Phi_{\eta_0}(x), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+.
\end{cases}$$
(38)

By induction, we first prove that

$$f_n(x) \uparrow \text{w.r.t.} \quad n.$$
 (40)

Since

$$0 \leqslant f_0(x) \leqslant \eta \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_1(z) dz \leqslant \eta \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_0(z) dz,$$

then

$$f_{1}(x) \geq \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{1}(x+t)N_{1}(t,f_{0}(t))dt \geq \Phi_{\eta_{0}}(x) \equiv f_{0}(x),$$

$$f_{1}(x) \leq \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{0}(x-t)N_{0}(t,\eta)dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{1}(x+t)N_{1}(t,\eta)dt \leq \eta \int_{-\infty}^{x} K_{0}(\tau)d\tau + \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} K_{1}(\tau)d\tau \leq \eta.$$

Assuming  $\eta \geq f_n(x) \geq f_{n-1}(x)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by (38), conditions c) and d) we get

$$f_{n+1}(x) \ge \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x-t)N_0(t, f_{n-1}(t))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x+t)N_1(t, f_{n-1}(t))dt = f_n(x)$$

and

$$f_{n+1}(x) \leqslant \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x-t)N_0(t,\eta)dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x+t)N_1(t,\eta)dt \leqslant \eta.$$

Let us make sure that the inequality

$$f_n(x) \leqslant \eta - \psi(x), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+$$
 (41)

holds true. Indeed, as n=0, (37) implies immediately (41). Let  $f_n(x) \leq \eta - \psi(x)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then by (38) and conditions a) and d) we get

$$f_{n+1}(x) \leqslant \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x-t)N_0(t,\eta-\psi(t))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x+t)N_1(t,\eta-\psi(t))dt \leqslant$$

$$\leqslant \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x-t)(\eta-Q(\psi(t)))dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} K_1(x+t)N_1(t,\eta)dt \leqslant$$

$$\leqslant \eta \int_{-\infty}^{x} K_0(\tau)d\tau - \psi(x) + \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} K_1(\tau)d\tau \leqslant \eta - \psi(x).$$

Therefore, (40) and (41) yield the pointwise convergence of the sequence  $\{f_n(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ :  $\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(x) = f(x)$  and

$$0 \leqslant \Phi_{\eta_0}(x) \leqslant f(x) \leqslant \eta - \psi(x) \in L^0_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+), \quad x > 0.$$

$$(42)$$

By Levi's theorem, f(x) solves equation (1). It follows from (42) that  $f \in L^0_{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^+)$ . The proof is complete.

**Remark 1.** The results of Theorem 2 remain true if we replace condition (28) by a weaker one,  $\int_{0}^{0} K_0(\tau) d\tau \ge \frac{1}{2}.$ 

# Examples of functions $N_0, N_1$ , and Q

In what follows we give several examples of functions  $N_0, N_1$ , and Q subject to the assumptions of the proven theorems.

#### Examples for Theorem 1.

I)  $N_0(t,z) \equiv h(t,z)N(z)$ , where the function h is continuous w.r.t. all its arguments on the set  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times [0, \eta]$ ,  $0 \leqslant h(t, z) \leqslant 1$ ,  $(t, z) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times [0, \eta]$ ,  $h \uparrow \text{in } z \text{ on } [0, \eta]$ ,  $\widetilde{N} \in C[0, \eta]$ ,  $\widetilde{N} \uparrow \text{in } z \text{ on } [0, \eta]$  $[0,\eta],\ 0\leqslant \widetilde{N}(z)\leqslant z,\ z\in [0,\eta].$  As the functions h and  $\widetilde{N}$ , we can take the following examples,

$$\begin{array}{ll} \bullet & h(t,z)=ze^{-z}\cdot sin^2t, \quad \widetilde{N}(z)=z^p, \quad p>1, \quad \eta=1. \\ \bullet & h(t,z)=\eta e^{\frac{z}{\eta}-1}, \quad \widetilde{N}(z)=sinz. \end{array}$$

• 
$$h(t,z) = \eta e^{\frac{z}{\eta}-1}$$
,  $\widetilde{N}(z) = \sin z$ .

II)

$$N_1(t,z) = \frac{\alpha z}{z + (\frac{\alpha}{\eta_0} - 1)\Phi_{\eta_0}(t)}, \quad \eta > \alpha > \eta_0 > 0, \tag{43a}$$

$$N_1(t,z) = \frac{\alpha z}{z + (\frac{\alpha}{\eta_0} - 1)\Phi_{\eta_0}(t)} + \frac{1}{2\eta^{p-1}}z^p, \quad p > 1, \quad \eta \ge 2\alpha, \quad \alpha > \eta_0.$$
 (43b)

#### Examples for Theorem 2.

III) 
$$Q(z) = \frac{z^{\alpha}}{\eta^{\alpha-1}}, \quad \alpha \in (0,1),$$

$$IV) \quad Q(z) = \eta e^{\frac{z}{\eta} - 1}$$

$$V) \quad Q(z) = \sqrt{ze^{z-1}}, \quad \eta = 1$$

VI) 
$$N_0(t,z) = \frac{(\eta - Q(\eta - z))^{\beta}}{\eta^{\beta - 1}}, \quad \beta \ge 1$$

VII) 
$$N_0(t,z) = sin(\eta - Q(\eta - z))$$

As  $N_1(t, z)$ , in Theorem 2 we can consider examples (43a) and (43b).

# 5. On solvability of problem (2)-(3) in Sobolev space $W_1^1(\mathbb{R}^+)$

The following theorem holds true.

**Theorem 3.** Suppose the function H(t,z) in equation (2) satisfies all the assumptions for the function  $N_0(t,z)$  in Theorem 1, and  $H_1(t,z)$  is a real function defined on the set  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}$  and there exist positive numbers  $\eta > 0$ ,  $\eta_0 \in (0,\eta)$ ,  $\xi \in (0,\frac{1}{\lambda})$ ,  $\theta \in (0,1)$  such that

$$i_1$$
)  $H_1(t, \xi \rho_{\eta_0}^{\sigma}(t)) \ge \eta_0$ ,  $H_1(t, \eta) \le \eta$ , (44)

where

$$\rho_{\eta_0}^{\sigma}(t) = \eta_0 \int_{t+\sigma}^{\infty} T_1(z)dz, \quad \sigma = \frac{1}{\lambda \theta} \ln \frac{1}{1-\lambda \xi}$$
(45)

$$i_2) \quad H_1(t,0) \equiv 0, \quad H_1 \in Carat_z(\mathbb{R}^+ \times [0,\eta]).$$
 (46)

 $i_3$ )  $H_1(t,z) \uparrow w.r.t. \ z \ on [0,\eta] \ for each fixed <math>t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .

Then under conditions (6)-(9), problem (2)-(3) has a nonnegative nontrivial solution in the Sobolev space  $W_1^1(\mathbb{R}^+)$ .

*Proof.* We introduce the function

$$K_0(x) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda z} T(x-z) dz, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$
 (47)

By the Fubini theorem, the function  $K_0(x)$  possesses the following "splendid" properties,

$$K_0(x) \ge 0, \quad \int\limits_{-\infty}^{+\infty} K_0(x) dx = 1, \quad K_0 \in L_1(\mathbb{R}) \cap L_\infty(\mathbb{R}),$$
 (48)

$$\nu(K_0) < 0, \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tau^2 K_0(\tau) d\tau < +\infty.$$
 (49)

Let us prove the following inequality

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} K_0(t)dt \ge \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_{x}^{\infty} T(t)dt, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$
 (50)

We have

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} K_{0}(t)dt = \int_{x}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda z} T(t-z)dzdt = \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda z} \int_{x}^{\infty} T(t-z)dtdz =$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda z} \int_{x-z}^{\infty} T(y)dydz \ge \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_{x}^{\infty} T(t)dt.$$

Consider the homogeneous Wiener-Hopf equation

$$S(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} K_0(x - t)S(t)dt, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+,$$
(51)

with a kernel of the form (47). As it was noted, (48), (49) imply the existence of a positive solution with properties (16), (17), (21), (22).

Denote

$$F(x) = \frac{d\varphi}{dx} + \lambda \varphi(x). \tag{52}$$

Then equation (2) with initial condition (3) casts into the form

$$F(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} T(x-t)H\left(t, \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}F(\tau)d\tau\right)dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}F(\tau)d\tau\right)dt, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{+}.$$

$$(53)$$

Consider the iterations

$$F_{n+1}(x) = \int_{0}^{\infty} T(x-t)H\left(t, \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}F_{n}(\tau)d\tau\right)dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}F_{n}(\tau)d\tau\right)dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}F_{n}(\tau)d\tau\right)dt$$

$$F_{0}(x) = \lambda(\eta - S(x)), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{+}.$$
(54)

In what follows we shall show that

$$j_1$$
)  $F_n(x) \downarrow \text{w.r.t.} \quad n,$  (55)

$$j_2$$
)  $F_n(x) \ge \rho_{n_0}^{\sigma}(x)$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . (56)

By (22) and (50) we have

$$F_0(x) = \lambda(\eta - S(x)) \ge \lambda \eta \int_x^\infty K_0(t) dt \ge \eta \int_x^\infty T(t) dt \ge \eta \int_x^\infty T_1(t) dt \ge$$

$$\ge \eta_0 \int_{x+\sigma}^\infty T_1(t) dt = \rho_{\eta_0}^\sigma(x).$$

In particular, it implies that

$$\rho_{\eta_0}^{\sigma}(x) \leqslant \lambda \eta, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$
(57)

Employing the properties of the functions H,  $H_1$ , T, and  $T_1$ , we obtain

$$F_{1}(x) \leqslant \int_{0}^{\infty} T(x-t)H\left(t, \eta - \lambda \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}S(\tau)d\tau\right)dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}(t, \eta)dt \leqslant$$

$$\leqslant \eta \int_{0}^{\infty} T(x-t)dt - \lambda \int_{0}^{\infty} T(x-t) \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}S(\tau)d\tau dt + \eta \int_{x}^{\infty} T_{1}(z)dz \leqslant$$

$$\leqslant \lambda \eta - \lambda \int_{0}^{\infty} K_{0}(x-\tau)S(\tau)d\tau = \lambda(\eta - S(x)) = F_{0}(x).$$

Let  $F_n(x) \ge \rho_{\eta_0}^{\sigma}(x)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then by (44), (45), (54),  $i_3$ ), monotonicity of H(t,z) we obtain

$$F_{n+1}(x) \ge \int_{0}^{\infty} T(x-t)H\left(t, \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}\rho_{\eta_{0}}^{\sigma}(\tau)d\tau\right)dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}\rho_{\eta_{0}}^{\sigma}(\tau)d\tau\right)dt \ge$$

$$\ge \int_{0}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \int_{0}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}\rho_{\eta_{0}}^{\sigma}(\tau)d\tau\right)dt \ge$$

$$\ge \int_{\sigma}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \int_{(1-\theta)\sigma}^{t} e^{-\lambda(t-\tau)}\rho_{\eta_{0}}^{\sigma}(\tau)d\tau\right)dt \ge$$

$$\ge \int_{\sigma}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \rho_{\eta_{0}}^{\sigma}(t) \int_{(1-\theta)\sigma}^{\sigma} e^{-\lambda(\sigma-\tau)}d\tau\right)dt \ge$$

$$\ge \int_{\sigma}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \rho_{\eta_{0}}^{\sigma}(t) \frac{(1-e^{-\lambda\theta\sigma})}{\lambda}\right)dt =$$

$$= \int_{\sigma}^{\infty} T_{1}(x+t)H_{1}\left(t, \xi\rho_{\eta_{0}}^{\sigma}(t)\right)dt \ge \eta_{0} \int_{x+\sigma}^{\infty} T_{1}(y)dy = \rho_{\eta_{0}}^{\sigma}(x).$$

Suppose  $F_n(x) \leq F_{n-1}(x)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the monotonicity of H and  $H_1$  immediately yields that  $F_{n+1} \leq F_n$ . Therefore, there exists

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} F_n(x) = F(x) \tag{58}$$

and F(x) satisfies equation (53) and the estimates

$$\rho_{\eta_0}^{\sigma}(x) \leqslant F(x) \leqslant \lambda(\eta - S(x)) \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+) \cap L_{\infty}^0(\mathbb{R}^+). \tag{59}$$

It follows from (59) that  $F \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^+) \cap L_{\infty}^0(\mathbb{R}^+)$ .

Solving the simplest Cauchy problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d\varphi}{dx} + \lambda \varphi(x) = F(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^+, \\ \varphi(0) = 0, \end{cases}$$
 (60)

we complete the proof.

Remark 2. Since a solution to problem (60) reads as

$$\varphi(x) = \int_{0}^{x} e^{-\lambda(x-t)} F(t) dt,$$

by (59) we get the following two-sided estimate

$$\int_{0}^{x} e^{-\lambda(x-t)} \rho_{\eta_0}^{\sigma}(t) dt \leqslant \varphi(x) \leqslant \lambda \int_{0}^{x} e^{-\lambda(x-t)} (\eta - S(t)) dt$$

for  $\varphi(x)$ .

In the end of the work, we give two examples of  $H_1(t,z)$ ,

1) 
$$H_1(t,z) = \frac{\alpha z}{z + (\frac{\alpha}{\eta_0} - 1)\rho_{\eta_0}^{\sigma}(t)}, \quad \eta > \alpha > \eta_0 > 0,$$

2) 
$$H_1(t,z) = \frac{\alpha z}{z + (\frac{\alpha}{\eta_0} - 1)\rho_{\eta_0}^{\sigma}(t)} + \frac{1}{2\eta^{p-1}}z^p$$
,  $p > 1$ ,  $\eta \ge 2\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > \eta_0$ .

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