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Uniqueness for entropy solutions to fully nonlinear equations

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ABSTRACT

Let X be a metric space, $\mathcal{M}(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ the space of μ -measurable functions, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a domain whith boundary $\partial \Omega$ and a(x, y) ξ) be an operator of Leray-Lions type. If β and γ are nondecreasing continuous function on \mathbb{R} such that $\beta(0) = \gamma(0) = 0$ and $(f,g) \in L^1(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$, then, there exists a unique entropy solution u in $\mathcal{M}(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ to the problem $-\text{div}[a(., Du)] + \beta(u) = f$ in Ω and $a(.,Du)v+\gamma(\tau u)=g \text{ on } \partial\Omega.$



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Introduction

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, $N \geq 3$, be a domain (not necessarily bounded) whithboundary $\partial\Omega$. For example, to prove existence and uniqueness for a solution to an elliptic or parabolic problem in Ω related with an operator of Leray-Lions type: Au = -div[a(.,Du)] with non linear Neumann condition on the boundary $\partial\Omega$:

$$a(., Du) \cdot v + \gamma(\tau u) \ni g, g \in L^1(\partial\Omega),$$
 (1.1)

where γ is a maximal monotone graph in \mathbb{R}^2 , ν is the vector field of exterior normal to the boundary $\partial\Omega$, when g=0, many authors even in the linear case $Au=-\Delta u$, (see [1], for example) include the boundary condition (1.1) in the definition of the domain D(A) of the operator A. In the case where $g\neq 0$, [2] apply the same process to a family of operators B^g in the elliptic case (rep: $B^{g(t)}$ in the parabolic case). Besides supplementary technical difficulties, even in case where A is linear some notion of multivalued linear operator is needed. This is no more necessary when applying theorems 4.1 of [8] and [9]. More precisely if $\chi=\Omega\cup\partial\Omega$, $\chi=0$ 0 is identified to $\chi=0$ 1. Then, let A be The operator defined as follows: $\chi=0$ 1.

$$\begin{cases}
-\text{div}[a(.,Du)] = f \text{ in } \Omega, \\
a(.,Du).v = g \text{ on } \partial\Omega
\end{cases}$$
(1.2)

In the sense that, if $T_k(r) = max \{-k, min(r,k)\}, k>0, r \in \Omega, \forall \phi \in W^{1,p}(\Omega) \cap L^{\infty}(\Omega), min(r,k)\}$

$$\int_{\Omega} a(x, Du) DT_k(u - \varphi) \le \int_{\Omega} fT_k(u - \varphi) + \int_{\partial\Omega} gT_k(\tau u - \tau \varphi).$$

If A_1 is the restriction of A to $L^1(x)$, then A_1 is said to be accretive in $L^1(x)$, if then the next inequality holds

$$\int_{\Omega} (f_1 - f_2) \varphi_0 + \int_{\{y_1 = y_2\}} |f_1 - f_2| + \int_{\partial\Omega} (g_1 - g_2) \psi_0 + \int_{\{Ty_1 = Ty_2\}} |g_1 - g_2| \ge 0, \tag{1.3}$$

For any $F_i = (f_i,g_i) \in L^1(X)$, $U_i = (u_i,\tau u_i) \in D(A_1)$, i=1,2 so that $AU_i = F_i$ and $\phi_0 = sign_0(u_1-u_2)$, $\psi_0 = sign_0(\tau u_1-\tau u_2)$, where: $sign_0(r) = \frac{r}{|r|}$, $r \in \mathbb{R}$, $r \neq 0$, sign(0) = [-1,1] and $sign_0(0) = 0$. Inequalities (i) in ([8] theorem 4.1) extends (1.3) to the case where $(u_i,\tau u_i) \in D(A)$, and inequality (ii) states that if in addition $(u_i, u_i) \in D(A_1)$ i=1,2, then for every $\phi \in sign(u_1-u_2)$ and $\psi \in sign(\tau u_1-\tau u_2)$, we have:

$$\int (f_1 - f_2) \phi + \int_{\partial \Omega} (g_1 - g_2) \psi \ge 0. \tag{1.4}$$

Inequalities (1.3) and (1.4) where applied in [8], and similarly in [9], to prove existence and uniqueness of a solution to the problem: -div[a(., Du)]+ β (u) \ni f and a(., Du). ν + γ (τ u) \ni g on $\partial\Omega$.

It is well known from [7] that uniqueness of weak solutions for degenerate problems, is not guaranteed. However, if two kind of solutions u and v in a class of uniqueness, such as entropy solutions or renormalized solutions, are obtained as a limit of a sequence (u_n) of some regular solutions related to some sequence data (f_n) , from uniqueness of u_n related to some f_n , the fact that entropy solutions, renormalized solutions etc are particular weak solutions, then by applying (1.3), formally we shall be able to prove that u = v. This seams to be new, since, even that studied separately existence and uniqueness of entropy and renormalized solutions have not proved that it is the same solution (see [6]).

Theorems 4.1 [8] may be extended to general measure spaces (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) and the closure in $\mathcal{M}(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ x L¹ (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) of the operator A₁ and thus, a larger class of measurable functions that are weak solutions obtained as limit in $\mathcal{M}(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ with data in $f \in L^1(X)$ of a sequence of entropy solutions, or renormalized solutions that are in L¹(X). It is proved first, that for this particular case, entropy and renormalized solution is the same one. This will be extended, next, for general entropy and renormalized solutions in $\mathcal{M}(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$, that are not necessary integrable, but satisfy some specified conditions of regularity that is required in the definition of this kind of solutions.

Order Preserving Inequalities

Let be given a metric space $\mathcal X$ and a complete measure space $(\mathcal X,\,\mathcal B,\,\mu)$ such that $\mathcal X$ is σ -infinite and μ is regular, (see [4]). The space of μ -measurable real valued functions $\mathcal M(\mathcal X,\,\mathcal B,\,\mu)$, equipped with some distance as in [8] and [9] is a Frechet space and its topology is equivalent to the local convergence in measure. In the sequel, the spaces $\mathcal M(\mathcal X,\,\mathcal B,\,\mu)$ and $L^1(\mathcal X,\mathcal B,\mu)$ are noted simply $\mathcal M$ and L^1 .

Definition 2.1.A: $X \rightarrow 2^X$ an operator, possibly multivalued in X, is said to be **accretive** in X, if one of the following equivalent properties is satisfied,

- (i) $(x_1-x_2, y_1-y_2)\ge 0$, if $x_1,x_2\in D(A)$, $y_1\in Ax_1$, $y_2\in Ax_2$.
- (ii) The resolvent $J_{\lambda}^{A} = (I + \lambda A)^{-1}$ is a contraction from R(I+ λA) to X, for every $\lambda > 0$.

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Definition 2.2. A is**m-accretive** in χ , if the resolvent J_{λ}^{Λ} is a contraction everywhere defined in χ , for every $\lambda > 0$.

Definition 2.3. The operator A is m-completely accretive in X, if A is m-accretive and

$$\int_{X} (AU_{1}-AU_{2})p(U_{1}-U_{2}) \geq 0, \ U_{1}, \ U_{2} \in D(A), \ p \in \mathcal{P}_{0}. \tag{2.1}$$

 $\mathcal{P}_0=\{p\colon\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R},\ p\ \text{Lipschitz, odd, non decreasing and }p'\ \text{has a compact support}\}.$

The function a of Leray-Lions type is defined as follows,

$$(\textbf{H}.\,\textbf{1}) \begin{cases} a: \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}^N \\ (x,\xi) \mapsto a(x,\xi) \end{cases} \text{ is a Carathéodory function in the sense that, a is continous in } \xi,$$

for almost every $x \in \Omega$, and measurable in x for any $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^N$.

- **(H.2)** there exist p, $C_1 \in \mathbb{R}$, $1 , and <math>C_1 > 0$, so that, $\langle a(x, \xi), \xi \rangle \geq C_1 |\xi|^p$, for a.e. $x \in \Omega$ and every $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^N$.
- **(H.3)** $\langle a(x,\xi_1) a(x,\xi_2), \xi_1 \xi_2 \rangle > 0$, if $\xi_1 \neq \xi_2$, for $a.e. x \in \Omega$.
- **(H.4)** There exists some $h_0 \in L^{p'}(\Omega)$, $p' = \frac{p}{p-1}$ and a positive constant C_2 such that $|a(x,\xi)| \leq C_2(h_0(x) + |\xi|^{p-1})$, for a.e. $x \in \Omega$ and every $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^N$.

If A_1 is an m-accretive operator in $L^1(^1)$, its closure $A = \overline{A_1}$ is defined as follows: For any $(u,f) \in \mathcal{M} \times L^1$, then A = f, if there exist $(u_n,f_n) \in (L^1)^2$ such that, $(u_n,f_n) \to (u,f)$ in $\mathcal{M} \times L^1$ and A = f.

(1): A_1 is Kato accretive in L^1 , in the sense that for any pair $(u_1, f_1), (u_2, f_2) \in D(A_1) \times L^1$, we have:

$$\lim_{t \to 0} \left(\int_X |(f-g) + t(u-v)| - |f-g| \right) = \int_X (f-g) sign_0(u-v) + \int_{\{u=v\}} |f-g| \ge 0,$$

where $\operatorname{sign}(r) = \operatorname{sign}_0(r) = \frac{r}{|r|}$, if $r \in \mathbb{R}$, $r \neq 0$, $\operatorname{sign}(0) = [-1,1]$ and $\operatorname{sign}_0(0) = 0$.

Theorem 2.1. A₁ and A are defined as previously, let be given $f,g \in L^1$, then we have the following:

(i) If u, v ∈D(A) are solutions to Au=f and Av=g, then they satisfy:

$$\int_{X} (f - g) \operatorname{sign}_{0}(u - v) + \int_{\{u = v\}} |f - g| \ge 0.$$
(2.2)

(ii) If in addition
$$u, v \in D(A_1)$$
, then: $\int_X (f - g)\phi \ge 0$, for every $\phi \in sign(u - v)$ (2.3)

Proof. (i) If $(u_n,f_n),(v_n,g_n)\in(L^1)^2$, $A_1u_n=f_n$ and $A_1v_n=g_n$, $u_n\to u,v_n\to v$ in $\mathcal M$ and $f_n\to f$, $g_n\to g$ in L^1 . Since A_1 is accretive in L^1 , if setting $h_n=f_n-g_n$, $\omega_n=u_n-v_n$, h=f-g, $\omega=u-v$, $\varphi_n=sign_0(\omega_n)$ and $\varphi=sign_0(\omega)$, this leads to:

$$\int_{\mathbb{X}} h_n \phi_n + \int_{\{\omega = 0\}} |h_n| \ge 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{2.4}$$

Next, if $T_{\frac{1}{k}}(r) = \max\left\{-\frac{1}{k}, \min\left(\frac{1}{k}, r\right)\right\}, k \in \mathbb{N}^*, r \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\begin{split} \left| \int_X h \phi - \int_X h_n \phi_n \right| &\leq \int_X \left| h \right| \left| \phi - k \underline{T_{\frac{1}{k}}}(\omega) \right| + \int_X \left| h \right| \left| k \underline{T_{\frac{1}{k}}}(\omega) - k \underline{T_{\frac{1}{k}}}(\omega_n) \right| + \int_X \left| h - h_n \right| \left| k \underline{T_{\frac{1}{k}}}(\omega_n) \right| + \int_X \left| h_n \right| \left| k \underline{T_{\frac{1}{k}}}(\omega_n) - \phi_n \right| \\ &= I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 \end{split}$$

Then, by appliying the Lebesgue theorem successively to I₁, I₂, I₃, we may assume that:

$$\begin{split} \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists k_0, n_0 = n_0(k_0), n_1 \in \mathbb{N}^*, \text{s.t.} I_1 \leq \epsilon, \text{if } k \geq k_0, I_2 \leq \epsilon, \text{if } n \geq n_0 \text{ and } I_3 \leq \epsilon, \text{if } n \geq n_1. \text{ Thus if } n \text{ and } k \text{ are large enough,} \\ \text{then: } \left| \int_X h \phi - \int_X h_n \phi_n \right| \leq 3\epsilon + \int_X \left| h_n \right| \left| k T_{\underline{l}}(\omega_n) - \phi_n \right|, \text{thus } \lim_{n \to +\infty} \left| \int_X h \phi - \int_X h_n \phi_n \right| \leq 3\epsilon + \int_X \left| h \right| \left| k T_{\underline{l}}(\omega) - \phi \right|. \end{split}$$

Since the left term in the last inequality do not depend to k and $\lim_{k \to +\infty} \int_X |h| \left| kT_{\underline{i}}(\omega) - \phi \right| = 0$, then

 $\lim_{n\to+\infty}\int_X\ h_n\phi_n=\int_X\ h\phi$, hence

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists n_{\epsilon} \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ such that } \int_{Y} h_{\phi} \geq \int_{Y} h_{n} \phi_{n} - \epsilon \text{ if } n \geq n_{\epsilon}. \tag{2.5}$$

Now, for the right term in (2.4), denote $E_n=\{\omega_n=0\}$, if C is a compact in $\mathcal X$ and $\eta>0$, then by Egorov theorem: $\forall k\in\mathbb N^*, \exists N_k\in\mathcal B, N_k\subset C \text{ and } n_k\in\mathbb N \text{ so that } n\geq n_k, \text{ then } \mu(N_k)\leq \eta, |u_n-u|\leq \frac1k \text{ and } |v_n-v|\leq \frac1k \text{ uniformly on } C\backslash N_k, \text{ therefore, after possibly } 1\leq n_k$



replacing N_k with $\bigcup_{1 \le l \le k} N_l$, we assume that $(N_k)_k$ is increasing and while setting $F_k = \bigcup_{n \ge n_k} E_n$ and $F_k' = (F_k \cap (C \setminus N_k))_k$, it ensuer that $F_k' \downarrow F_{k \ge 1} = \bigcap F_k'$, if $k \to +\infty$.

Next, for μ almost any $x \in F'_k$, there exist n such that

$$|u(x) - v(x)| \le |u(x) - u_n(x)| + |u_n(x) - v_n(x)| + |v_n(x) - v(x)| \le \frac{2}{\nu}$$

Thus u = v, μ .a.e on F,

Therefore
$$F_k^{'}\downarrow \bigcap_{k\geq 1}F_k^{'}\subset E=\{\omega=0\}$$
 and $\int_E|h|\geq \int_{F_k^{'}}|h|-\epsilon$, of sufficiently large k. (2.6)

Now, with the help of (2.5) and (2.4), if n is large enough, then $\int_X |h\phi + \int_{F_k} |h_n| \ge \int_X |h_n\phi_n - \epsilon + \int_{E_n} |h_n| \ge -\epsilon$.

As $\lim_{n\to +\infty}\int_{F_{\nu}}|h_n|=\int_{F_{\nu}}|h|$, it arises that $\int_X |h\phi+\int_{F_{\nu}}|h|\geq -\epsilon$,

For every
$$\varepsilon > 0$$
. Therefore $\int_X h \phi + \int_{F_b} |h| \ge 0$, if $k \ge k_0$. (2.7)

Next, $F_k = F_k^{'} \cup (F_k \cap N_k) \cup (F_k \cap C^c)$. Since $h \in L^1$, then we may suppose that the compact C is sufficiently large and $\mu(N_k)$ is sufficiently small so that $\int_{C^c} |h| \le \epsilon$ and $\int_{N_k} |h| \le \epsilon$, therefore $\int_E |h| \ge \int_{F_k^{'}} |h| - \epsilon \ge \int_{F_k} |h| - 3\epsilon$ and then, in view of (2.6) and (2.7).

$$\textstyle \int_X \ (f-g) sign_0(u-v) + \int_{\{u=v\}} \lvert f-g \rvert = \int_X \ h\phi + \int_E \ \lvert h \rvert \geq -4\epsilon \text{, for any } \epsilon > 0.$$

This completes the proof of (2.2).

(ii) Its *proof* is the same as in [8] and [9], we give an outline for this. For α >0, consider

$$W_{i,\alpha} = (\omega_{i,\alpha}, \tau \omega_{i,\alpha}) = J_{\alpha}^{A_1} u_i = (I + \alpha A_1)^{-1} u_i \in D(A_1), i=1, 2,$$

$$Y_{i,\alpha} = (y_{i,\alpha}, z_{i,\alpha}) = A_1 W_{i,\alpha} = A_{1,\alpha} u_i = \frac{1}{\alpha} (u_i - W_{i,\alpha})$$

Consider $p_n(r) = nT_1(r)$ and $j_n(r) = \int_0^r p_n(s)ds$, then by definition of the subdifferential $\partial j_n = j'_n$, we have

$$j_n(u_1-u_2)-j_n\big(\omega_{1,\alpha}-\omega_{2,\alpha}\big)\geq \alpha p_n\big(\omega_{1,\alpha}-\omega_{2,\alpha}\big)\big(y_{1,\alpha}-y_{2,\alpha}\big)\geq 0, \text{ μ.a.e. on X. Then}$$

$$\int_X j_n(u_1 - u_2) - \int_X j_n(\omega_{1,\alpha} - \omega_{2,\alpha}) \ge \alpha \int_X p_n(\omega_{1,\alpha} - \omega_{2,\alpha})(y_{1,\alpha} - y_{2,\alpha}).$$

Since $|j_n(r)| \uparrow j(r) = |r|$, if $r \to +\infty$, then applying the Lebesgue convergence theorem in $L^1(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$, we obtain:

$$\int_{Y} (|u_{1} - u_{2}| - |\omega_{1,\alpha} - \omega_{2,\alpha}|) \ge 0$$

Next, $\partial j(r) = sign(r)$, then for every $\phi \in sign(u_1 - u_2)$, μ .a.e. on X we have:

$$\left|u_1-u_2\right|-\left|\omega_{1,\alpha}-\omega_{2,\alpha}\right| \leq \left[\left(u_1-\omega_{1,\alpha}\right)-\left(u_2-\omega_{2,\alpha}\right)\right]\phi = \alpha.\left(y_{1,\alpha}-y_{2,\alpha}\right)\phi \text{, on }\mathbb{R}^N \text{, then } 0 \leq \alpha.\left(y_{1,\alpha}-y_{2,\alpha}\right)\phi \text{, on }\mathbb{R}^N \text{, then } 0 \leq \alpha.\left(y_{1,\alpha}-y_{2,\alpha}\right)\phi \text{, on }\mathbb{R}^N \text{, then } 0 \leq \alpha.$$

$$\int_{X} (y_{1,\alpha} - y_{2,\alpha}) \phi \ge \int_{X} (|u_1 - u_2| - |\omega_{1,\alpha} - \omega_{2,\alpha}|) \ge 0$$

Since, $Y_{i,\alpha} \rightarrow A_1 u_i$ in $L^1(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$, if $\alpha \rightarrow 0$, then (2.3) is proved.

Applications

We consider the problem

$$\begin{cases}
-\operatorname{div}[a(.,Du)] = f \text{ in } \Omega \\
a(.,Du)v = g \text{ on } \partial\Omega
\end{cases}$$
(3.1)

Where f, g \in L¹. Let T_k(r)=max{-k, min(r,k)}, k>0 and r \in Ω . $\mathcal{M}(\Omega)$ ={u: $\Omega \to \mathbb{R}$, u is measurable}.

 $\mathcal{L}_0(\Omega)=\{u\in\mathcal{M}(\Omega), \text{ such that meas}\{|u|>k\}<+\infty, \text{ for every k>0}\}.$

Definition 3.1. u is an entropy solution for the problem (3.1), if $u \in \mathcal{L}_0(\Omega)$, $DT_k(u) \in L^p(\Omega)$, $\forall k > 0$ and $\forall \phi \in W^{1,p}(\Omega) \cap L^{\infty}$ (Ω),



$$\int_{\Omega} a(x, Du) DT_k(u - \varphi) \le \int_{\Omega} fT_k(u - \varphi) + \int_{\partial\Omega} gT_k(\tau u - \tau \varphi).$$

Definition 3.2. u is a renormalized solution for the problem (3.1), if $u \in \mathcal{L}_0(\Omega)$, $DT_k(u) \in L^p(\Omega)$, $\forall k > 0$,

$$\lim_{h \to +\infty} \int_{h \leq |u| \leq k+h} |Du|^p = 0 \text{ and } \forall \phi \in W^{1,p}(\Omega) \cap L^\infty(\Omega), \int_{\Omega} \ S(u) a(x,Du) D\phi + \int_{\Omega} \ S^{'}(u) \phi a(x,Du) Du = \int_{\Omega} \ f\phi S(u) + \int_{\partial \Omega} g\tau \phi S(\tau u) d\tau d\tau = 0$$

For all regular function S such that has a compact support.

Lemma3.1. A renormalized solution in L¹ is an entropy solution.

Proof. If u is a renormalized solution of $(3.1), \forall \psi \in W^{1,p}(\Omega) \cap L^{\infty}(\Omega)$

$$\int_{\Omega} S(u)a(x,Du)\nabla\psi + \int_{\Omega} S^{'}(u)\psi a(x,Du)Du = \int_{\Omega} f\psi S(u) + \int_{\partial\Omega} g\tau\psi S(\tau u).$$

Let $\psi = T_k(u-\phi), \phi \in W^{1,p}(\Omega) \cap L^\infty(\Omega)$, and $S=S_n$ with S_n regular, $0 \le S_n \le 1, S(x)=0$ if $|x| \ge n+1, S(x)=1$ if $|x| \le n$ and radial piecewise linear. Then

$$\int_{0}^{\cdot} S_{n}(u)a(x,Du)DT_{k}(u-\phi) + \int_{0}^{\cdot} S_{n}^{'}(u)T_{k}(u-\phi)a(x,Du)Du \leq \int_{0}^{\cdot} fT_{k}(u-\phi)S_{n}(u) + \int_{\partial 0}^{\cdot} gT_{k}(\tau u-\tau \phi)S_{n}(\tau u).$$

If $n \to \infty$, $S_n \to 1$, then $|fS_n T_k(u - \varphi)| \le |fT_k(u - \varphi)|$ and $|gS_n T_k(\tau u - \tau \varphi)| \le |gT_k(\tau u - \tau \varphi)|$.

By dominated convergence

$$\int_{\Omega} \ fS_n T_k(u-\phi) \to \int_{\Omega} \ fT_k(u-\phi) \ \text{ and } \int_{\partial\Omega} gS_n T_k(\tau u - \tau \phi) \to \int_{\partial\Omega} gT_k(\tau u - \tau \phi).$$

Since $DT_k(u - \varphi) \in L^p(\Omega)$ and $a(x, Du) \in L^{p'}(\Omega)$ then

$$\int_{\Omega} \left. S_n(u) a(x,Du) DT_k(u-\phi) \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \left. a(x,Du) DT_k(u-\phi) and \right. \left| \int_{\Omega} \left. S_n^{'}(u) a(x,Du) T_k(u-\phi) Du \right| = \left| \int_{n \leq |u| \leq n+1} a(x,Du) T_k(u-\phi) Du \right| dx$$

 $\text{By (H4)} \Big| \int_{1 \leq |u| \leq n+1} a(x,Du) T_k(u-\phi) Du \Big| \leq c \|T_k(u-\phi)\|_{\infty} \int_{1 \leq |u| \leq n+1} |Du|^p \text{ for k=1 by definition of renormalized solution:}$

$$\lim_{h\to\infty}\int_{h<|u|< h+1}|Du|^p=0 \text{ then }$$

$$\int_{\Omega} S_{n}^{'}(u)a(x,Du)T_{k}(u-\phi)Du \rightarrow 0 \text{ finally}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} a(x,Du)DT_k(u-\phi) \leq \int_{\Omega} fT_k(u-\phi) + \int_{\partial\Omega} gT_k(\tau u - \tau \phi).$$

Then the renormalized solution is an entropy solution.

Lemma3.2. An entropy solution is a renormalized solution.

Proof. From the uniqueness of entropy and renormalized solutions and by Lemma 3.1 we can conclude that an entropy solution is a renormalized solution.

Theorem 3.1. If $u, v \in \mathcal{M}$ are two entropy solutions to (3.1) then u=v.

Proof. If f and $g \in L^1$, $u \in \mathcal{M}$ is an entropy solution to (3.1) and $v \in \mathcal{M}$ is a renormalized solutions to (3.1) (entropy solution). There exists $v_n \in L^1$ is a renormalized solution to (3.1) with $v_n \rightarrow v$ in \mathcal{M} and $(f_n, g_n) \rightarrow (f, g) \in L^1$. Consider then, for a fixed k,

$$S_1(h) = \{|u - v_n| < k\} \cap [\{|u| < h\} \cup \{|v_n| < h\}]$$

$$S_2(h) = \{|u - v_n| < k\} \cap [\{|u| \ge h\} \cup \{|v_n| < h\}]$$

$$S_2'(h) = \{|u - v_n| < k\} \cap [\{|v_n| \ge h\} \cup \{|u| < h\}],$$

We select $\phi = T_h v_n$ in the equation related to u. Then, taking into account that



$$-\int_{S_2} \langle a(.,Du), -Dv_n \rangle + \int_{S_1} \langle a(.,Du), Du - Dv_n \rangle \leq \int_{\Omega} fT_k(u - T_hv_n) + \int_{\partial\Omega} gT_k(\tau u - T_h\tau v_n).$$

On the other hand by (H4),

$$\left| \int_{S_2} \langle \mathbf{a}(., \mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}), -\mathbf{D}\mathbf{v}_\mathbf{n} \rangle \right| \leq C \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{v}_\mathbf{n}\|_{L^p(\{h-k \leq |\mathbf{v}| < h\})} \times \left(\|\mathbf{h}_0\|_{L^{p'}(\{h \leq |\mathbf{u}| < h+k\})} + \||\mathbf{D}\mathbf{u}|^{p-1}\|_{L^{p'}(\{h \leq |\mathbf{u}| < h+k\})} \right)$$

$$\text{ or } \lim_{h \to +\infty} \int_{h \leq |v_n| < h+k} |Dv_n|^p = 0 \text{ then } \lim_{h \to +\infty} \int_{S_2} \langle a(.,Du), -Dv_n \rangle = 0$$

Next, we do the same for the equation related to v_n , with test function $\phi = T_h u$ and add the two inequalities.

$$\begin{split} \int_{\Omega} & \lim_{h \to +\infty} \langle a(., Du) - a(., Dv_n), Du - Dv_n \rangle \mathbf{1}_{S_1(h)} + \lim_{h \to +\infty} \int_{S_2(h)} \langle a(., Du), -Dv_n \rangle + \lim_{h \to +\infty} \int_{S_2'(h)} \langle a(., Dv_n), -Du \rangle \\ & \leq \lim_{h \to +\infty} \int_{\Omega} f \big(T_k (u - T_h v_n) \big) + f_n \big(T_k (v_n - T_h u) \big) + \lim_{h \to +\infty} \int_{\partial \Omega} g \big(T_k (\tau u - \tau T_h v) \big) + g_n \big(T_k (\tau v_n - \tau T_h u) \big) \end{split}$$

Then, by applying the Lebesgue dominated convergence on the right, and letting n→∞, we obtain

$$\int_{\{|u-v|< k\}} \langle \mathbf{a}(., D\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{a}(., D\mathbf{v}), D\mathbf{u} - D\mathbf{v} \rangle = 0, k > 0.$$

It arises from H3 (Leary-Lions), that Du=Dv, a.e in Ω (if n $\to\infty$) and therefore u-v=0, a.e. in Ω . This leads to $\tau T_k u = \tau T_k v$ a.eon $\partial \Omega$, for any k>0. Thus $\tau u = \tau v$ a.eon $\partial \Omega$.

Theorem 3.2. If β , γ are nondecreasing continuous function on \mathbb{R} such that $\beta(0)=\gamma(0)=0$, $(f,g)\in L^1$, then, there exists a unique entropy solution u in \mathcal{M} to the problem:

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}[a(.,Du)] + \beta(u) = f \text{ in } \Omega \\ a(.,Du)v + \gamma(\tau u) = g \text{ on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$
(3.2)

Proof. If u and v are two entropy solutions to (3.2) in \mathcal{M} with the same data (f,g) \in L¹, then applying (2.2), since β (u)= β (v) a.e. on {u=v} and $\gamma(\tau u)=\gamma(\tau v)d\sigma$ —a.e. on {u=v}, one obtain:

$$-\int_{\Omega} |\beta(u) - \beta(v)| - \int_{\partial \Omega} |\gamma(\tau u) - \gamma(\tau v)| \ge 0 \text{ thus } \beta(u) = \beta(v) \text{ a. e. on } \Omega \text{ and } \gamma(\tau u) = \gamma(\tau v) \text{ on } \partial \Omega.$$

If $\beta(u) = \mathbf{h}$ and $\gamma(\tau u) = \mathbf{k}$, then u and v are two entropy solutions in \mathcal{M} to the problem, $A(u,\tau u) = (f-\mathbf{h},g-\mathbf{k})$. Then, the uniqueness of the entropy solution u to (3.2) derives from Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.1. If λ and $\tilde{\lambda}$ are bounded measure on Ω and $\partial\Omega$, then $-\text{div}[a(.,Du)] + \beta(u) \ni \lambda$ on Ω and $a(.,Du).\nu + \gamma(\tau u) \ni \tilde{\lambda}$ on $\partial\Omega$ has at least a weak solution.

Proof. Set $AU = (-div[a(.,Du)], a(.,Du).\nu)$, if $U_n, F_n \in L^1(\Omega \cup \partial \Omega)$ is some approximative sequence of solutions to the equation $AU_n + H_n \ni F_n$, $H_n \in BU_n$ previous arguments is that (H_n) is a Cauchy sequence in L^1 , then the classical methods are applied.

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