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Two parameter singular perturbation problems for sine-Gordon type equations

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Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open bounded set with C^1 boundary $\partial \Omega$. Consider the real Hilbert space $L^2(\Omega)$, endowed with the usual inner product $(u, v)_{L^2(\Omega)} = \int_{\Omega} u(x) v(x) dx$ and the norm $|\cdot|$, and the real Sobolev space $H_0^1(\Omega)$, with the inner product $(u, v)_{H_0^1(\Omega)} = \int_{\Omega} (\nabla u(x), \nabla v(x))_{\mathbb{R}^n} dx$ and the norm $||\cdot||$.

We consider the following initial-boundary problem for sine-Gordon type equation

$$\varepsilon \,\partial_t^2 u_{\varepsilon\delta} + \delta \,\partial_t u_{\varepsilon\delta} + A u_{\varepsilon\delta} + b \,\sin u_{\varepsilon\delta} = f, \text{ in } Q_T, \\ u_{\varepsilon\delta}(x,0) = u_0(x), \quad \partial_t \,u_{\varepsilon\delta}(x,0) = u_1(x), \quad x \in \Omega, \\ u_{\varepsilon\delta}|_{\partial\Omega} = 0, \quad t \ge 0,$$
 (P_{\vec{e}\delta})

where T > 0, $Q_T = \Omega \times (0,T)$, $f \in L^2(Q_T)$, $u_0 \in V = H_0^1(\Omega)$, $u_1 \in H = L^2(\Omega)$, $b \in \mathbb{R}$, $b \neq 0$, ε, δ are two small parameters and A is a strong elliptic operator of the type

$$A: D(A) = H^2(\Omega) \cap H^1_0(\Omega) \mapsto L^2(\Omega), A u = -\sum_{i,j=1}^n \partial_{x_i} \left(a_{ij}(x) \partial_{x_j} u(x) \right).$$
(1)

Namely, we suppose that the following conditions:

$$(\mathbf{HA}) \begin{cases} a_{ij} \in L^{\infty}(\Omega), \ a_{ij}(x) = a_{ji}(x), \text{ a.e. in } \Omega, \\ \omega_0 |\xi|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x) \,\xi_i \,\xi_j \leq \omega_1 \, |\xi|^2, \text{ a.e. in } \Omega, \ \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n, \ 0 < \omega_0 \leq \omega_1; \end{cases}$$

(**HSG**) $q_0 = \omega_0 - \lambda_1^{-1} |b| > 0$, where λ_1 is the first eigenvalue of the spectral problem $-\Delta u = u$, $u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$ are fulfilled.

We investigate the behavior of solutions $u_{\varepsilon\delta}$ to the problem $(P_{\varepsilon\delta})$ in two different cases:

(i) $\varepsilon \to 0$ and $\delta \ge \delta_0 > 0$, relative to the solutions to the following unperturbed

system:

$$\begin{cases} \delta \partial_t l_{\delta}(x,t) + A l_{\delta}(x,t) + b \sin l_{\delta}(x,t) = f(x,t), & (x,t) \in Q_T, \\ l_{\delta}(x,0) = u_0(x), & x \in \Omega, \\ l_{\delta}|_{\partial\Omega} = 0, & t \ge 0; \end{cases}$$
(P_{\delta})

(*ii*) $\varepsilon \to 0$ and $\delta \to 0$, relative to the solutions to the following unperturbed system:

$$\begin{cases} Av(x,t) + b \sin v(x,t) = f(x,t), \quad (x,t) \in Q_T, \\ v|_{\partial\Omega} = 0, \quad t \ge 0. \end{cases}$$
(P₀)

We obtain some *a priori* estimates of solutions to the perturbed problem, which are uniform with respect to parameters, and a relationship between solutions to both problems. We establish that the solution to the unperturbed problem has a singular behavior, relative to the parameters, in the neighbourhood of t = 0.

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