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On some generalizations of the Landesman-Lazer theorem. (English) Zbl 1127.47056
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For a bounded domain $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$ with smooth boundary, and for $p \geq 2$ such that $2p > N$, consider a linear (unbounded) Fredholm operator A in $L^p(\Omega)$ with domain $D(A) = W^{2,p}(\Omega) \cap W_0^{1,p}(\Omega)$. Here $W^{k,p}(\Omega)$ is the Sobolev space of functions with k distributional derivatives in $L^p(\Omega)$, and $W_0^{1,p}(\Omega)$ is the closure of $C_c^\infty(\Omega)$ in $W^{1,p}(\Omega)$. Suppose that A is symmetric with respect to the scalar product in $L^2(\Omega)$, and that $\ker A$ is the 1-dimensional space spanned by a function $\omega \in D(A) \setminus \{0\}$.

Let $g(r)$ be a given continuous function on \mathbb{R} with existing limits $g(\pm\infty)$ as $r \rightarrow \pm\infty$, such that $g(-\infty) \leq g(r) \leq g(+\infty)$ for all r . Suppose that $\phi : \Omega \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has existing limits

$$\underline{\phi}(x, \xi) := \liminf_{\xi' \rightarrow \xi} \phi(x, \xi') \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{\phi}(x, \xi) := \limsup_{\xi' \rightarrow \xi} \phi(x, \xi')$$

for almost all $x \in \Omega$, and that $\underline{\phi}, \overline{\phi}$ are superpositionally measurable. Finally, suppose that there are $f_*, f^* \in L^p(\Omega)$ such that $f_*(x) \leq \underline{\phi}(x, \xi) \leq f^*(x)$ for a.e. $x \in \Omega$ and all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$.

Under the Landesman-Lazer type conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\omega>0} f^* \omega \, dx + \int_{\omega<0} f_* \omega \, dx &< g(+\infty) \int_{\omega>0} \omega \, dx + g(-\infty) \int_{\omega<0} \omega \, dx, \\ \int_{\omega>0} f_* \omega \, dx + \int_{\omega<0} f^* \omega \, dx &> g(-\infty) \int_{\omega>0} \omega \, dx + g(+\infty) \int_{\omega<0} \omega \, dx, \end{aligned}$$

it is proved that the equation

$$(Au)(x) + g(u(x)) = \phi(x, u(x))$$

has a generalized solution. The same result is also proved for nonsymmetric A with higher dimensional kernel, albeit under abstract conditions in the functional setting.

The authors present an example involving a resonant nonlinearly oscillating membrane with a discontinuous obstacle, and an example on Lavrentiev's problem on detachable currents at the presence of resonance.

The proofs involve an application of coincidence index theory for multivalued maps.

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MSC:

- 47N20 Applications of operator theory to differential and integral equations
- 47J05 Equations involving nonlinear operators (general)
- 35R05 PDEs with low regular coefficients and/or low regular data
- 47H10 Fixed-point theorems
- 47H04 Set-valued operators

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