Editorial **Nonlinear Functional Analysis of Boundary Value Problems 2013**

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Nonlinear boundary value problems play a very important role in the study and control of real world nonlinear systems and the development of new technologies. In recent years, intensive research has been carried out worldwide to develop functional analysis theories and methods for tackling complex boundary value problems arising from scientific research and modelling of real world phenomena. This special issue aims to present some of the recent research developments in this field.

The issue contains twenty seven papers selected through a peer-review process. These papers cover a wide range of topics in nonlinear functional analysis including fixed-point theory, well posedness of nonlinear boundary value problems, asymptotic and stability properties of solutions, derivation of analytical solutions, construction of approximate solutions, and evaluation of the quality of the approximation. The boundary value problems tacked include partial differential equation problems, ordinary differential equation problems with fractional order derivatives and singularities, and stochastic boundary value problems. A brief review of the papers is given below under seven categories.

(1) Well Posedness of Partial Differential Equation Boundary Value Problems

(i) In the paper titled "Nonexistence results for the Schrödinger-Poisson equations with spherical and cylindrical potentials in R^3 ," the authors study a Schrödinger-Poisson system leading to the development of two theorems giving two regions on the parameter plane where the system has no nontrivial solutions.

(ii) In the paper titled "*The local strong solutions and global weak solutions for a nonlinear equation*," the author studies an extended Degasperis-Procesi model and establishes the conditions for the existence and uniqueness of local strong solutions for the underlying nonlinear equation in the Sobolev space.

(iii) In the paper titled "Global existence and uniform energy decay rates for the semilinear parabolic equation with a memory term and mixed boundary condition," the authors establish the global existence and uniqueness of solutions for a mixed initial boundary value problem with a memory term and a generalized Lewis function by the Galerkin method. Estimates for the uniform energy decay rates are also obtained in the paper.

(iv) In the paper titled "*Remarks on the blow-up solutions* for the critical Gross-Pitaevskii equation," the authors study the blow-up solutions of the critical Gross-Pitaevskii equation for modelling the Bose-Einstein condensate. The sufficient condition for the existence of solutions is established together with some qualitative properties of the minimal blow-up solutions.

(v) In the paper titled "*Existence and multiplicity of nontrivial solutions for a class of fourth-order elliptic equations*," by using the fountain theorem and the local linking theorem, the authors obtain some existence and multiplicity results for a class of fourth-order elliptic equations.