

On energy inequalities for the mixed problems for the wave equation in a domain with a corner

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1. Introduction

Recently the mixed problems for hyperbolic equations in domains with corners have been investigated (see, for example, [6], [7], [10], [12], [13], [14]). We also consider the mixed problems for the wave equation:

$$(1) \quad \square u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = f(t, x, y) \quad \text{in} \quad (0, T) \times \Omega,$$

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} (a) & \mathfrak{B}_1 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - b \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - c \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0 & \text{on} \quad (0, T) \times B_1, \\ (b) & \mathfrak{B}_2 u = 0 & \text{on} \quad (0, T) \times B_2 \end{cases}$$

where $\mathfrak{B}_2 u = u$ or $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$, $\Omega = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2; x > 0, y > 0\}$, $B_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2; x = 0, y > 0\}$, $B_2 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2; x > 0, y = 0\}$ and b, c are real constants. Furthermore we assume the following condition:

$$(3) \quad |b| \leq c.$$

Here we remark that the condition (3) is the necessary and sufficient condition to be L^2 -well-posed for the mixed problem: Equation (1) in a domain $0 < t < T$, $0 < x < \infty$, $-\infty < y < \infty$ with boundary condition (2(a)) (see [2-I]).

Ibuki [6] proved the existence and the regularity of the solution for the mixed problem with boundary conditions $\mathfrak{B}_1 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$, $\mathfrak{B}_2 u = u$, which is only the available case when we restrict his methods of considerations to our problems (1) and (2). Taniguchi [14] showed the energy estimate for (1) with boundary conditions $\mathfrak{B}_1 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = g_1(t, y)$, $\mathfrak{B}_2 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \bar{b} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \bar{b} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = g_2(t, x)$, where b is a complex constant with $|b| = 1$, $\operatorname{Re} b > 0$. Kojima and Taniguchi [7] dealt with the existence and the energy estimate

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of the solution for (1) with boundary conditions $\mathfrak{B}_1 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + b \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - c \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = g_1(t, y)$, $\mathfrak{B}_2 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{1}{b} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{c}{b} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = g_2(t, x)$, where b and c are complex constants such that $(c+1)z^2 + 2bz + (c-1) = 0$ has two different roots in the domain D or has the double roots in its interior, where $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^1; |z| \leq 1, \operatorname{Re} z \leq 0, z \neq \pm i\}$. Concerning with the existence of the solution, it is assumed that b and c are real constants. They also dealt with the energy estimate for the mixed problems for hyperbolic symmetric systems in a domain $x, y, t > 0$, $-\infty < z < \infty$ with constant coefficients. Osher [10] considered the energy estimate for the mixed problems for hyperbolic symmetric systems in a domain $x, y, t > 0$, $-\infty < z_j < \infty$, $j=3, \dots, n$ with constant coefficients by constructing a symmetrizer under Kreiss' condition for two half space problems whose domains are $x, t > 0$, $-\infty < y, z_j < \infty$ and $y, t > 0$, $-\infty < x, z_j < \infty$, respectively. Sarason and Smoller [13] proved the necessary condition for certain a priori estimate for the mixed problems for strictly hyperbolic systems from the point of view of geometrical optics. And Sarason [12] discussed the mixed problems for hyperbolic symmetrizable systems in a corner domain.

In this paper we give the sufficient condition to obtain the energy inequalities for the mixed problem (1) and (2), that is, for the solution $u(t, x, y)$ of the mixed problem (1) and (2) which belongs to $H^2((0, T) \times \Omega)$, there exists a positive constant K such that the following energy inequality holds: for any $t(0 < t < T)$

$$(4) \quad \left\| \left\| u(t, \cdot) \right\| \right\|_1^2 \leq K \left\{ \int_0^t \left\| (\square u)(s, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 ds + \left\| u(0, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 \right\},$$

where $\left\| u(\cdot) \right\|^2 = \left\| u(\cdot) \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2$, $\left\| u(t, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 = \left\| u(t, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, \cdot) \right\|^2$ and K is independent of u .

We set

$$Q_1 = \{(b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^2; |b| \leq c, b \geq -1\} - (-1, 1)$$

and

$$Q_2 = \{(b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^2; |b| \leq c, |b| \leq 1\} - \{(-1, 1) \cup (1, 1)\}.$$

Then we have the following

THEOREM.

(i) Let $(b, c) \in Q_1$. Then the solution $u(t, x, y) (\in H^2((0, T) \times \Omega))$ of the mixed problem (1) and (2) with $\mathfrak{B}_2 u = u$ has the energy inequality (4).

(ii) Let $(b, c) \in Q_2$. Then the solution $u(t, x, y) (\in H^2((0, T) \times \Omega))$ of the mixed problem (1) and (2) with $\mathfrak{B}_2 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$ has also the energy inequality (4).

To show Theorem we apply the methods of the consideration used by Agemi [1].

It is easily seen by the proof of (4) that we have the same results even if we add (lower order terms) u in the left hand sides in (1) and (2(a)), here all coefficients in (lower

order terms) are sufficiently smooth and constant except a compact set.

2. Proof of Theorem

By $(u(t, \cdot), v(t, \cdot)), \langle u(t, 0, y), v(t, 0, y) \rangle_{B_1}$ and $\langle u(t, x, 0), v(t, x, 0) \rangle_{B_2}$ we denote $\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty u(t, x, y) \overline{v(t, x, y)} dx dy$, $\int_0^\infty u(t, 0, y) \overline{v(t, 0, y)} dy$ and $\int_0^\infty u(t, x, 0) \overline{v(t, x, 0)} dx$, respectively. We set

$$\begin{aligned} G_1(t) &= \left(A_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, \cdot), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, \cdot) \right) + 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, \cdot), A_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, \cdot) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, \cdot) \right) + \left(A_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, \cdot), \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, \cdot) \right) + \left(A_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, \cdot), \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, \cdot) \right), \\ G_2(t) &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 2 \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, 0, y), A_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} + \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, 0, y), \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. A_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} + \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, 0, y), A_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, 0, y), A_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} + 2 \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, 0, y), A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} G_3(t) &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 2 \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, 0), A_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} + \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x, 0), \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} + \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, 0), A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, x, 0), A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} + 2 \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, x, 0), A_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

here A_j ($j=0, 1, 2$) are real constants.

LEMMA 1. Let $u(t, x, y) \in H^2((0, T) \times \Omega)$. Then we have the following equality.

$$\begin{aligned} &2 \operatorname{Re} \int_0^t \left((\square u)(s, \cdot), A_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, \cdot) + A_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, \cdot) + A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, \cdot) \right) ds \\ &= G_1(s) \Big|_0^t + \int_0^t G_2(s) ds + \int_0^t G_3(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

for any t ($0 < t < T$).

PROOF. Using the integration by parts we obtain that for any t ($0 < t < T$)

$$\begin{aligned} &2 \operatorname{Re} \int_0^t \left((\square u)(s, \cdot), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, \cdot) \right) ds \\ &= \left[\left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, \cdot) \right\|^2 \right] \Big|_0^t \\ &+ \int_0^t \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 2 \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, 0, y), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} + 2 \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, x, 0), \right. \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, x, 0) \rangle_{B_2} \} ds,$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \operatorname{Re} \int_0^t \left((\square u)(s, \cdot), \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, \cdot) \right) ds &= 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, \cdot), \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, \cdot) \right) \Big|_0^t \\ &+ \int_0^t \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, 0, y), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} + \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, 0, y), \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} \right. \\ &\left. - \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, 0, y), \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} + 2 \operatorname{Re} \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, x, 0), \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} \right\} ds \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \operatorname{Re} \int_0^t \left((\square u)(s, \cdot), \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, \cdot) \right) ds &= 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, \cdot), \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, \cdot) \right) \Big|_0^t \\ &+ \int_0^t \left\{ 2 \operatorname{Re} \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, 0, y), \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} \right. \\ &+ \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, x, 0), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} + \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, x, 0), \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} \\ &\left. - \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, x, 0), \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2} \right\} ds. \end{aligned}$$

From these equalities we get this lemma.

LEMMA 2. Using $\mathfrak{B}_1 u = 0$ on B_1 and $\mathfrak{B}_2 u = 0$ on B_2 in $G_2(t)$ and $G_3(t)$, we suppose that, for some A_j ($j=0, 1, 2$) in Lemma 1, the quadratic form corresponding to G_1 is positive definite and those corresponding to G_2 and G_3 are both positive semi-definite. Then the energy inequality (4) holds for $u(t, x, y) \in H^2((0, T) \times \Omega)$ with $\mathfrak{B}_1 u = 0$ on B_1 and $\mathfrak{B}_2 u = 0$ on B_2 .

PROOF. From Lemma 1, for any t ($0 < t < T$) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (5) \quad & K_1 \left(\left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, \cdot) \right\|^2 \right) \\ & - K_2 \left(\left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(0, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, \cdot) \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(0, \cdot) \right\|^2 \right) \\ & \leq \left| \int_0^t \left((\square u)(s, \cdot), A_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, \cdot) + A_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(s, \cdot) + A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(s, \cdot) \right) ds \right|, \end{aligned}$$

where A_j ($j=0, 1, 2$) are chosen such that the hypotheses of this lemma are satisfied and the constants K_1 and K_2 are independent of u . From (5) and the inequality

$$\left(\left\| u(s, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 \right)_0^t \leq \int_0^t \left\| u(s, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 ds + \int_0^t \left\| \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(s, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 ds,$$

we get that for any t

$$\left\| u(t, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 \leq K_3 \left(\int_0^t \left\| u(s, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 dt + \int_0^t \left\| (\square u)(s, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 ds + \left\| u(0, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 \right).$$

From this it follows

$$\left\| u(t, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 \leq K_3 e^{K_3 t} \left(\int_0^t \left\| (\square u)(s, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 ds + \left\| u(0, \cdot) \right\|_1^2 \right). \quad \text{q. e. d.}$$

Now we consider the case when the boundary condition on B_2 is Dirichlet one, that is, $\mathfrak{R}_2 u = u = 0$ on B_2 .

LEMMA 3(a). *The necessary and sufficient condition that the hypotheses in Lemma 2 are fulfilled is that all of the following relations hold:*

$$A_0 > 0,$$

$$A_1^2 + A_2^2 < A_0^2,$$

$$2cA_0 + (c^2 + 1)A_1 \geq 0,$$

$$(b^2 - c^2 - 1)A_1^2 - b^2 A_0^2 + 2bA_0 A_2 - c^2 A_2^2 - 2cA_0 A_1 + 2bA_1 A_2 \geq 0$$

and $A_2 \geq 0$.

PROOF. Let $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, 0, y) = b \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, 0, y) + c \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, 0, y)$ and $u(t, x, 0) = 0$ in Lemma 1.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} G_2(t) = & \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left\langle (2cA_0 + (c^2 + 1)A_1) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, 0, y), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} \right. \\ & + 2 \left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, 0, y), (bA_0 + bcA_1 + cA_2) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} \\ & \left. + \left\langle ((b^2 - 1)A_1 + 2bA_2) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, 0, y), \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, 0, y) \right\rangle_{B_1} \right\}, \\ G_3(t) = & \left\langle A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, 0), \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2}. \end{aligned}$$

From these expressions and the expression of $G_1(t)$, it is easily shown this lemma.

Next we consider the case when the boundary condition on B_2 is Neumann one, that is, $\mathfrak{R}_2 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$ on B_2 .

LEMMA 3(b). *The necessary and sufficient condition that the hypotheses in Lemma 2 are fulfilled is that all of the following relations hold:*

$$|A_1| < A_0,$$

$$2cA_0 + (c^2 + 1)A_1 \geq 0,$$

$$(b^2 - c^2 - 1)A_1^2 - b^2 A_0^2 - 2cA_0 A_1 \geq 0$$

and $A_2 = 0$.

PROOF. Let $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, 0, y) = b \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, 0, y) + c \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, 0, y)$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, 0) = 0$ in Lemma 1.

Then $G_2(t)$ is the same that in Lemma 3(a). $G_3(t) = \left\langle A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x, 0), \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2}$

$-\left\langle A_2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, x, 0), \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, x, 0) \right\rangle_{B_2}$. From these expressions and the expression of $G_1(t)$, we can prove this lemma.

Let us prove Theorem by using Lemmas 1-3. At first we consider the case (i). We set

$$Q_{11} = \{(b, c) \in Q_1, b > 0\},$$

$$Q_{12} = \{(b, c) \in Q_1, b \leq 0\}.$$

Then we see that $Q_1 = Q_{11} \cup Q_{12}$.

Let $(b, c) \in Q_{11}$. We set $A_0 = (c^2 + 1)$, $A_1 = -c$, $A_2 = bc$. Then all of the relations in Lemma 3(a) are satisfied. From Lemma 2 we have proved Theorem in this case.

Let $(b, c) \in Q_{12}$. Then we may set $A_0 = 1 + c^2 - b^2$, $A_1 = -c$, $A_2 = 0$.

Next we consider the case (ii). Let $(b, c) \in Q_2$. We set $A_0 = 1 + c^2 - b^2$, $A_1 = -c$, $A_2 = 0$. Then we can prove Theorem in this case by the same method as above.

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