

# Upper fractal dimension estimates for invariant sets of evolutionary variational inequalities

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# 1 Basic notation

Suppose that  $Y_0$  is a real Hilbert space with  $(\cdot, \cdot)_0$  and  $\|\cdot\|_0$  as scalar product resp. norm. Suppose also that  $A : \mathcal{D}(A) \subset Y_0 \rightarrow Y_0$  is an unbounded densely defined linear operator. The Hilbert space  $Y_1$  is defined as  $\mathcal{D}(A)$  equipped with the scalar product

$$(y, \eta)_1 := ((\beta I - A)y, (\beta I - A)\eta)_0, \quad y, \eta \in \mathcal{D}(A), \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\beta \in \rho(A) \cap \mathbb{R}$  ( $\rho(A)$  the resolvent set of  $A$ ) is an arbitrary but fixed number. The Hilbert space  $Y_{-1}$  is by definition the completion of  $Y_0$  with respect to the norm  $\|z\|_{-1} := \|(\beta I - A)^{-1}z\|_0$ . Thus we have the dense and continuous imbeddings

$$Y_1 \subset Y_0 \subset Y_{-1} \quad (1.2)$$

which is called *Hilbert space rigging structure*. In this triple,  $Y_0$  is the *pivot space*,  $Y_1$  is the *interpolation space*, and  $Y_{-1}$  is the *extrapolation space* (Triebel [14]).

The “scalar product”  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{-1,1}$  on  $Y_{-1} \times Y_1$  is the unique extension by continuity of the scalar product  $(\cdot, \cdot)_0$  defined on  $Y_0 \times Y_1$ .

If  $T > 0$  is an arbitrary number we define the norm for Bochner measurable functions in  $L^2(0, T; Y_j)$ ,  $j = 1, 0, -1$ , through

$$\|y(\cdot)\|_{2,j} := \left( \int_0^T \|y(t)\|_j^2 dt \right)^{1/2}. \quad (1.3)$$

Let  $\mathcal{W}_T$  be the space of functions  $y(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; Y_1)$  for which  $\dot{y}(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; Y_{-1})$  equipped with the norm

$$\|y(\cdot)\|_{\mathcal{W}_T} := (\|y(\cdot)\|_{2,1}^2 + \|\dot{y}(\cdot)\|_{2,-1}^2)^{1/2}. \quad (1.4)$$

# 2 Evolutionary variational inequalities

Suppose  $Y_1 \subset Y_0 \subset Y_{-1}$  is a real Hilbert space rigging structure with  $A \in \mathcal{L}(Y_1, Y_{-1})$ .

Assume that  $\Xi$  and  $W$  are two real Hilbert spaces with scalar products  $(\cdot, \cdot)_\Xi$ ,  $(\cdot, \cdot)_W$  and norms  $\|\cdot\|_\Xi$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_W$ , respectively.

Introduce the linear continuous operators

$$B : \Xi \rightarrow Y_{-1}, \quad C : Y_{-1} \rightarrow \Xi \quad (2.1)$$

and define the set-valued map

$$\varphi : W \rightarrow 2^\Xi \quad (2.2)$$

and the map

$$\psi : Y_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}. \quad (2.3)$$

Note that in applications  $\varphi$  is a *material law nonlinearity*,  $\psi$  is a *contact-type* or *friction functional* and  $w(t) = Cy(t)$  is the *input* of the nonlinearity. Consider the *evolutionary variational inequality* with set-valued nonlinearity (Duvant, Lions [4])

$$(\dot{y} - Ay - B\xi, \eta - y)_{-1,1} + \psi(\eta) - \psi(y) \geq 0, \quad \forall \eta \in Y_1, \quad (2.4)$$

$$w(t) = Cy(t), \quad \xi(t) \in \varphi(w(t)), \quad y(0) = y_0 \in Y_0. \quad (2.5)$$

**Remark 2.1** In the contact free case when  $\psi \equiv 0$  the evolutionary variational inequality (2.4) – (2.5) is equivalent to an *evolution equation* with a set-valued nonlinearity  $\varphi$  given by

$$\dot{y} = Ay + B\xi \quad \text{in } Y_{-1}, \quad (2.4)'$$

$$w(t) = Cy(t), \xi(t) \in \varphi(w(t)), \quad y(0) = y_0 \in Y_0. \quad (2.5)'$$

□

**Definition 2.1** A function  $y(\cdot) \in \mathcal{W}_T \cap C(0, T; Y_0)$ , is said to be a *solution* of (2.4), (2.5) on  $(0, T)$  if there exists a function  $\xi(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; \Xi)$  such that for a.a.  $t \in (0, T)$  the inequality (2.4), (2.5) is satisfied and  $\int_0^T \psi(y(t)) dt < +\infty$ . The pair  $\{y(\cdot), \xi(\cdot)\}$  is called a *response* of (2.4), (2.5);  $\xi(\cdot)$  is an *associated selection*.

Suppose that  $F, G$  and  $H$  are quadratic forms on  $Y_1 \times \Xi$ . The class  $\mathcal{N}(F, G)(\mathcal{N}(F, G, H))$  of *nonlinearities* for (2.4), (2.5) consists of all maps (2.2) such that the condition a) (conditions a) and b)) is (are) satisfied:

a) For any  $T > 0$  and any two functions  $y(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; Y_1)$  and  $\xi(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; \Xi)$  with

$$\xi(t) \in \varphi(Cy(t)), \quad \text{a.a. } t \in [0, T], \quad (2.6)$$

it follows that

$$F(y(t), \xi(t)) \geq 0, \quad \text{a.a. } t \in [0, T], \quad (2.7)$$

and there exists a continuous function  $\Phi : Y_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (*generalized potential*) and numbers  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\gamma > 0$  such that

$$\int_s^t G(y(\tau), \xi(\tau)) d\tau \geq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi(y(t)) - \Phi(y(s))] + \lambda \int_s^t \Phi(y(\tau)) d\tau$$

for all  $0 \leq s < t \leq T$  (2.8)

and

$$\Phi(y) \geq \gamma \|y\|_0^2, \quad \forall y \in Y_0. \quad (2.9)$$

b) For any  $T > 0$  and any two pairs of functions

$$y_1(\cdot), y_2(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; Y_1) \quad \text{and} \quad \xi_1(\cdot), \xi_2(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; \Xi)$$

$$\text{with} \quad \xi_i(t) \in \varphi(Cy_i(t)), \quad i = 1, 2, \quad \text{a.a.} \quad t \in [0, T],$$

it follows that  $H(y_1(t) - y_2(t), \xi_1(t) - \xi_2(t)) \geq 0, \quad \text{a.a.} \quad t \in [0, T].$

**(A1)** For fixed linear operators  $A, B, C$ , fixed function (2.3), arbitrary  $y_0 \in Y_0, \quad T > 0$  and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{N}(F, G, H)$  ( $\varphi \in \mathcal{N}(F, G)$ ) there exists a response  $\{y(\cdot), \xi(\cdot)\}$  of (2.4), (2.5).

**Example 2.1** Suppose that  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a domain with smooth boundary  $\Gamma = \partial\Omega$ ,  $h : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a given scalar function (“outer pressure”) and  $u(x, t)$  (“inner pressure”) is a solution of

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta u \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega \times \mathbb{R}_+ \quad (2.10)$$

subject to the boundary conditions

$$u = h \quad \text{on} \quad \Gamma \times \mathbb{R}_+ \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \geq 0, \quad (2.11)$$

$$u > h \quad \text{on} \quad \Gamma \times \mathbb{R}_+ \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 \quad (2.12)$$

and the initial condition

$$u(\cdot, 0) = u_0. \quad (2.13)$$

The system (2.10) – (2.13) describes the transfer problem of fluid acrossing a semi-permeable membrane (Lions [12]).

Instead of (2.11) – (2.12) we consider the (nonlinear) boundary condition

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \geq g \quad \text{on} \quad \Gamma \times \mathbb{R}_+, \quad (2.14)$$

where  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a given function.

In order to get a representation of (2.10) – (2.14) in the form of a variational inequality (2.4), (2.5) we introduce the spaces

$$Y_0 := L^2(\Omega),$$

$$Y_1 := W^{1,2}(\Omega) = \{v \in L^2(\Omega) : \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_i} \in L^2(\Omega), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \text{ and}$$

$$\Xi := W^{-1/2,2}(\partial\Omega).$$

An operator  $A \in \mathcal{L}(Y_1, Y_{-1})$  is defined by

$$(Au, v)_{-1,1} = - \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_i} dx, \quad \forall u, v \in Y_1. \quad (2.15)$$

The operator  $B \in \mathcal{L}(\Xi, Y_{-1})$  is given by

$$(B\xi, y)_{-1,1} = - \int_{\partial\Omega} \xi y dS, \quad \forall \xi \in \Xi, \quad \forall y \in Y_1, \quad (2.16)$$

the nonlinear map  $\varphi : Y_1 \rightarrow \Xi$  is given by

$$\varphi(y(x)) := g(y)(x) \quad \text{on } \Gamma, \quad (2.17)$$

and the ‘‘contact functional’’  $\psi : Y_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}$  is defined by

$$\psi(\eta) := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \eta(x) \geq h(x) \text{ on } \Gamma, \\ +\infty & \text{in other cases.} \end{cases} \quad (2.18)$$

Thus the transfer problem of fluid (2.10) – (2.14) can be considered as evolutionary variational inequality

$$(\dot{y} - Ay - B\xi, \eta - y)_{-1,1} + \psi(\eta) - \psi(y) \geq 0, \quad \forall \eta \in Y_1, \quad (2.19)$$

$$\xi(t) = \varphi(y(t)), \quad y(0) = y_0 \in Y_0. \quad (2.20)$$

Let us describe the class  $\mathcal{N}(F, G)$  for (2.19), (2.20). We assume that the nonlinearity  $\varphi$  from (2.17) has the following two properties:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(H1)} \quad & \exists \mu_0 > 0 \quad \forall y_1, y_2 \in Y_1 \quad : \\ & 0 \leq (B\varphi(y_1) - B\varphi(y_2), y_1 - y_2)_{-1,1} \leq \mu_0 \|y_1 - y_2\|_1^2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.21)$$

**(H2)** There exist a Fréchet differentiable map  $\Phi : Y_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and a number  $\lambda > 0$  such that with the Fréchet derivative  $\Phi' \in \mathcal{L}(Y_0, \mathbb{R})$  the inequality

$$(\varphi(y), \eta)_1 \geq \Phi'(y)\eta + \lambda\Phi(\eta), \quad \forall \eta \in Y_1 \quad (2.22)$$

is satisfied.

It is clear that (2.21) and (2.22) can be considered as a monotonicity condition and a potential-type condition, respectively. Using (2.21) we can introduce the quadratic form

$$F(y, \xi) := \mu_0 \|y\|_1^2 - (B\xi, y)_{-1,1}, \quad (y, \xi) \in Y_1 \times \Xi, \quad (2.23)$$

which satisfies (2.7). The inequality (2.22) can be used to define the quadratic form

$$G(y, \xi) := (G_1 Ay, \xi)_\Xi + (G_2 B\xi, \xi)_\Xi \quad \text{on } Y_1 \times \Xi \quad (2.24)$$

with  $G_i : Y_{-1} \rightarrow \Xi$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ). It is easy to see that the form  $G$  from (2.24) and the generalized potential  $\Phi$  from (2.22) satisfy the inequality (2.8) .  $\square$

### 3 Determining observations

a) *Observations that are determining for the dissipativity*

Suppose  $S$  is a real Hilbert space (*observation space*),  $M : Y_1 \rightarrow S$  is a given linear bounded operator (*observation operator*),  $P \in \mathcal{L}(Y_{-1}, Y_0) \cap \mathcal{L}(Y_0, Y_1)$ ,  $P = P^*$  in  $Y_0$ , is also given such that the following conditions are satisfied.

- 1)  $V_1(y) := \frac{1}{2} (y, Py)_0 \geq 0 \quad , \quad \forall y \in Y_0 ;$
- 2)  $V(y) := V_1(y) + \frac{1}{2} \Phi(y) \geq \text{const} \cdot \|y\|_0^2, \quad \forall y \in Y_0 ;$
- 3) There exist numbers  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\mu > 0$  such that for an arbitrary solution  $y(\cdot)$  of (2.4), (2.5) the function  $m(t) := V(y(t))$  satisfies

$$\dot{m}(t) + 2\lambda m(t) + \psi(y(t)) - \psi(-Py(t) + y(t)) \leq \mu \|My(t)\|_S^2, \quad \text{a.a. } t \geq 0. \quad (3.1)$$

Then the observation

$$\sigma(t) := \mu \|My(t)\|_S^2 \quad (3.2)$$

is *determining for the dissipativity with domain  $\mathcal{D}$*  of (2.4), (2.5), i.e., the property

$$\int_t^{t+1} \|My(\tau)\|_S^2 d\tau \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } t \rightarrow +\infty$$

implies that

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} m(t) \leq C \quad \text{and,}$$

consequently, (2.4), (2.5) is (point) *dissipative with domain of dissipativity*

$$\mathcal{D} := \left\{ y \in Y_0 : \|y\|_0^2 \leq \frac{2C}{\gamma} \right\}. \quad (3.3)$$

b) *Observations that are determining for the complete deviation of arbitrary two solutions*

Suppose  $M \in \mathcal{L}(Y_1, S)$  is given as in a). Suppose also that there exist an operator  $P_1 \in \mathcal{L}(Y_{-1}, Y_0) \cap \mathcal{L}(Y_0, Y_1)$ ,  $P_1 = P_1^*$  in  $Y_0$ , numbers  $\lambda_1 > 0, \alpha_1 > 0, \delta_1 > 0$  and  $\mu_1 > 0$  such that for arbitrary two solutions  $y_1(\cdot), y_2(\cdot)$  of (2.4), (2.5) the function

$$m_1(t) := \left( y_1(t) - y_2(t), P_1(y_1(t) - y_2(t)) \right)_0$$

satisfies for a.a.  $t > 0$  the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{m}_1(t) + 2\lambda_1 m_1(t) + \psi(y_1(t)) - \psi(y_1(t) - P_1(y_2(t) - y_1(t))) \\ - \psi(y_2(t) + P_1(y_1(t) - y_2(t))) + \psi(y_2(t)) \\ + \delta_1 \|e^{-\alpha_1 t}(y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_0^2 \leq \mu_1 \|M(y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_S^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Then the observation  $\sigma_1(t) = \mu_1 \|M(y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_S^2$  is *determining for the complete deviation  $y_1(t) - y_2(t)$* , i.e., the property

$$\int_t^{t+1} \|M(y_1(\tau) - y_2(\tau))\|_S^2 d\tau \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } t \rightarrow +\infty \quad (3.5)$$

implies that for a.a.  $t > 0$

$$\|y_1(t) - y_2(t)\|_0^2 \leq c_1 e^{2\alpha_1 t} \|y_1(0) - y_2(0)\|_0^2, \quad (3.6)$$

where  $c_1 > 0$  is a certain constant not depending on the solutions.

The inequality (3.6) follows from (3.4) since

$$\int_0^\infty \|e^{-\alpha_1 t} (y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_S^2 dt < +\infty. \quad (3.7)$$

c) *Observations that are determining for the convergence in a subspace of codimension  $n$*

Suppose  $M \in \mathcal{L}(Y_1, S)$  is given as in a). Suppose also that there exist an operator  $P_2 \in \mathcal{L}(Y_{-1}, Y_0) \cap \mathcal{L}(Y_0, Y_1)$ ,  $P_2 = P_2^*$  in  $Y_0$ , a natural number  $n$ , numbers  $\lambda_2 > 0$ ,  $\alpha_2 > 0$ ,  $\delta_2 > 0$  and  $\mu_2 > 0$  such that for arbitrary two solutions  $y_1(\cdot), y_2(\cdot)$  of (2.4), (2.5) the function

$$m_2(t) := (y_1(t) - y_2(t), P_2(y_1(t) - y_2(t)))_0$$

satisfies for a.a.  $t > 0$  the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{m}_2(t) + 2\lambda_2 m_2(t) + \psi(y_1(t)) - \psi(y_1(t) - P_2(y_2(t) - y_1(t))) \\ - \psi(y_2(t) + P_2(y_1(t) - y_2(t))) + \psi(y_2(t)) \\ + \delta_2 \|e^{-\alpha_2 t} (1 - \pi_n)(y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_0^2 \leq \mu_2 \|M(y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_S^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Then the observation  $\sigma_2(t) := \mu_2 \|M(y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_S^2$  is *determining for the convergence in a subspace of  $Y_1$  of codimension  $n$* , i.e., the property

$$\int_t^{t+1} \|M(y_1(\tau) - y_2(\tau))\|_S^2 d\tau \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } t \rightarrow +\infty \quad (3.9)$$

implies that for a.a.  $t > 0$

$$\|(1 - \pi_n)(y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_0^2 \leq c_2 e^{-2\alpha_2 t} \|y_1(0) - y_2(0)\|_0^2, \quad (3.10)$$

where  $c_2 > 0$  is a certain constant not depending on the solutions. Again the inequality (3.10) follows from (3.8) since

$$\int_0^\infty \|e^{\alpha_2 t} (y_1(t) - y_2(t))\|_0^2 dt < +\infty. \quad (3.11)$$

**Remark 3.1** Determining observations (also called “determining functionals”) are introduced by Foias and Prodi ([5]), Ladyzhenskaya ([10]), Foias and Temam ([6]), Chueshov ([2, 3]). Inverse problems for variational inequalities (parameter identification problems) are considered by Hoffmann and Sprekels ([7]), Maksimov ([13]) and other authors.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.1** *Suppose that for the variational inequality (2.4), (2.5) there exist observations that are determining for the dissipativity with domain  $\mathcal{D}$ , determining for the complete deviation and determining for the convergence in a subspace of codimension  $n$ , respectively. Then any positively invariant for (2.4), (2.5) compact set in  $\mathcal{D}$  has a finite fractal dimension.*

**Idea of proof:** The inequalities (3.1), (3.6) and (3.10) are the essential sufficient parts for the use of Ladyzhenskaya's theorem (see also Chuesov's version of this theorem in [2]).

**Theorem 3.2** ([10]) *Suppose  $\mathcal{K}$  is a compact set in the Hilbert space  $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$  and  $g : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow g(\mathcal{K})$  is a continuous map with  $\mathcal{K} \subset g(\mathcal{K})$  and such that*

$$\|g(y) - g(\eta)\| \leq l\|y - \eta\|, \quad \|(1 - \pi_n)(g(y) - g(\eta))\| \leq q\|y - \eta\|, \quad \forall y, \eta \in Y.$$

Here  $l \geq 0$ ,  $0 \leq q < 1$  are constants,  $\pi_n$  is the orthoprojector in  $Y$  on a subspace of dimension  $n$ .

$$\text{Then } \dim_F \mathcal{K} \leq n \ln \frac{2\nu^2 l^2}{1 - q^2} \left( \ln \frac{2}{1 + q^2} \right)^{-1} \quad (\nu \text{ is an absolute constant}).$$

## 4 Frequency-domain conditions for the existence of determining observations

We consider the existence problem for observations that are determining for dissipativity. The existence of observations which are determining for the complete deviation of two solutions and which are determining for the convergence in a subspace of codimension  $n$  can be shown similarly.

Our goal is to find effective conditions for the existence of Lyapunov-type functions  $V$  satisfying a) – c) in the Section 4. A general approach consists in using the *Frequency Theorem* which is also called *Kalman-Yakubovich-Popov Lemma* (KYP Lemma [1, 11]). Let us state the assumptions for this theorem.

**(A2)** There exists a number  $\lambda > 0$  such that for any  $T > 0$  and any  $f \in L^2(0, T; Y_{-1})$  the problem

$$\dot{y} = (A + \lambda I)y + f(t), \quad y(0) = y_0 \tag{4.1}$$

is *well-posed*, i.e., for arbitrary  $y_0 \in Y_0$ ,  $f(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; Y_{-1})$  there exists a unique solution  $y(\cdot) \in \mathcal{W}_T$  satisfying (4.1) in the sense that

$$(\dot{y}, \eta)_{-1,1} = ((A + \lambda I)y, \eta)_{-1,1} + (f(t), \eta)_{-1,1}, \quad \forall \eta \in Y_1, \text{ a.a. } t \in [0, T], \tag{4.2}$$

and depending continuously on the initial data, i.e.,

$$\|y(\cdot)\|_{\mathcal{W}_T}^2 \leq c_1 \|y_0\|_0^2 + c_2 \|f(\cdot)\|_{2,-1}^2, \tag{4.3}$$



where  $c_1 > 0$  and  $c_2 > 0$  are some constants. Furthermore, any solution of

$$\dot{y} = (A + \lambda I)y, \quad y(0) = y_0 \quad (4.4)$$

is exponentially decreasing for  $t \rightarrow +\infty$ , i.e., there exist constants  $c_3 > 0$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that

$$\|y(t)\|_0 \leq c_3 e^{-\varepsilon t} \|y_0\|_0, \quad t > 0. \quad (4.5)$$

**(A3)** There exists a number  $\lambda > 0$  such that the operator  $A + \lambda I \in \mathcal{L}(Y_1, Y_{-1})$  is *regular*, i.e., for any  $T > 0$ ,  $y_0 \in Y_1$ ,  $z_T \in Y_1$  and  $f \in L^2(0, T; Y_0)$  the solutions of the *direct problem*

$$\dot{y} = (A + \lambda I)y + f(t), \quad y(0) = y_0, \quad \text{a.a. } t \in [0, T], \quad (4.6)$$

and of the *dual problem*

$$\dot{z} = -(A + \lambda I)^* z + f(t), \quad z(0) = z_T, \quad \text{a.a. } t \in [0, T], \quad (4.7)$$

are strongly continuous in  $t$  in the norm of  $Y_1$ .

In the next assumption which is called *frequency-domain condition* it is necessary to consider the *complexification* of spaces and linear operators under consideration.

The elements of the complexification  $Y_0^c$  of the real Hilbert space  $Y_0$  can be written as  $x + iy$  with  $x, y \in Y_0$ , and the inner product of  $Y_0^c$  will be denoted by  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{Y_0^c}$ . The complexification of the other spaces are defined in a similar way. For the linear operator  $A : Y_1 \rightarrow Y_{-1}$  we denote by  $A^c$  the linear operator  $A^c : Y_1^c \rightarrow Y_{-1}^c$  defined by  $A^c(x + iy) = Ax + iAy$ . Again, the complexification of the other linear operators which will appear below, is defined in a similar way.

Consider now the complexification of the quadratic form  $F$  (similarly of  $G$ ). Suppose that

$$F(y, \xi) = (F_1 y, y)_{-1,1} + 2(F_2 y, \xi)_{\Xi} + (F_3 \xi, \xi)_{\Xi} \quad (4.8)$$

for  $(y, \xi) \in Y_1 \times \Xi$ , where  $F_1 = F_1^* \in \mathcal{L}(Y_1, Y_{-1})$ ,  $F_2 \in \mathcal{L}(Y_1, \Xi)$  and  $F_3 = F_3^* \in \mathcal{L}(\Xi, \Xi)$ .

The complexification of the quadratic form (4.8) is the Hermitian form  $F^c$  defined on  $Y_1^c \times \Xi^c$  by

$$F^c(y, \xi) = (F_1^c y, y)_{Y_{-1}^c, Y_1^c} + 2\text{Re}(F_2^c y, \xi)_{\Xi^c} + (F_3^c \xi, \xi)_{\Xi^c}. \quad (4.9)$$

**(A4)** (Frequency-domain condition)

There exist numbers  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\mu > 0$  such that the following two properties hold:

$$\text{a) } \quad F^c(y, \xi) + G^c(y, \xi) - \mu \|M^c y\|_{S^c}^2 \leq 0 \quad (4.10)$$

$$\forall (y, \xi) \in Y_1^c \times \Xi^c : \exists \omega \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{with} \quad i\omega y = (A^c + \lambda I^c)y + B^c \xi;$$

b) The functional

$$J(y(\cdot), \xi(\cdot)) := \int_0^\infty [F^c(y(\tau), \xi(\tau)) + G^c(y(\tau), \xi(\tau)) - \mu \|M^c y(\tau)\|_{S^c}^2] d\tau \quad (4.11)$$

is bounded from above on the set  $\mathcal{M}_{y_0} :=$

$$\left\{ y(\cdot), \xi(\cdot) : \dot{y} = (A^c + \lambda I^c)y + B^c \xi, y(0) = y_0, y(\cdot) \in \mathcal{W}_\infty^c, \xi(\cdot) \in L^2(0, \infty; \Xi^c) \right\}$$

for any  $y_0 \in Y_0^c$ , i.e., for any such  $y_0$  there exists a  $\gamma(y_0) \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $J(y(\cdot), \xi(\cdot)) \leq \gamma(y_0)$ .

**Theorem 4.1** *Suppose that there exist numbers  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$  such that the assumptions (A1) - (A4) are satisfied for (2.2) - (2.5) with  $\varphi \in \mathcal{N}(F, G)$  and an observation given by (3.2). Then the observation (3.2) is determining for the dissipativity of (2.4), (2.5) with domain  $\mathcal{D}$  given by (3.3).*

**Idea of the proof:** We try to find an operator  $P = P^* \in \mathcal{L}(Y_{-1}, Y_0) \cap \mathcal{L}(Y_0, Y_1)$  with  $(y, Py)_0 \geq 0$ ,  $\forall y \in Y_0$ , and numbers  $\lambda > 0, \mu > 0$  such that for any solution  $y(\cdot)$  of (2.4), (2.5) and their associated generalized potential  $\Phi$  from condition (2.8) the integrated inequality (3.1) is true on any time interval  $0 < s < t$ , i.e.,

$$m(t) - m(s) + 2\lambda \int_s^t m(\tau) d\tau + \int_s^t p(\tau) d\tau \leq \int_s^t g(\tau) d\tau. \quad (4.12)$$

In (4.12) we have introduced the functions

$$m(t) := \frac{1}{2}(y(t), Py(t))_0 + \frac{1}{2}\Phi(y(t)), \quad (4.13)$$

$$p(t) := \psi(y(t)) - \psi(y(t) - Py(t)), \quad (4.14)$$

and

$$g(t) := -\mu \|My(t)\|_S^2. \quad (4.15)$$

In order to guarantee the inequality (4.12) we choose an operator  $P = P^* \in \mathcal{L}(Y_{-1}, Y_0) \cap \mathcal{L}(Y_0, Y_1)$  and numbers  $\lambda > 0, \mu > 0$  such that

$$(-(A + \lambda I)v - B\zeta, Pv)_{-1,1} \geq F(v, \zeta) + G(v, \zeta) - \mu \|Mv\|_S^2, \quad \forall v \in Y_1, \quad \forall \zeta \in \Xi. \quad (4.16)$$

The existence of such a  $P$  with  $(y, Py)_0 \geq 0$ ,  $\forall y \in Y_0$ , follows due to the assumptions (A2) - (A4) from the infinite-dimensional version of the Kalman-Yakubovich-Popov

Lemma (Frequency Theorem [1, 11]). From (2.4), (2.5) it follows with  $v := y(t)$  and  $\zeta := \xi(t)$  that

$$(\dot{y}(t), Py(t))_{-1,1} + \lambda(y(t), Py(t))_0 - ((A + \lambda I)y(t) + B\xi(t), Py(t))_{-1,1} + p(t) \leq 0, \quad \text{a.a. } t > 0. \quad (4.17)$$

Using the estimate (4.16) we derive from (4.17) the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & (\dot{y}(t), Py(t))_{-1,1} + \lambda(y(t), Py(t))_0 + F(y(t), \xi(t)) + G(y(t), \xi(t)) \\ & - \mu \|My(t)\|_S^2 + p(t) \leq 0, \quad \text{a.a. } t > 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.18)$$

Integration of (4.18) on the time interval  $0 < s < t$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}(y(t), Py(t))_0 - \frac{1}{2}(y(s), Py(s))_0 + \lambda \int_s^t (y(\tau), Py(\tau))_0 d\tau + \int_s^t F(y(\tau), \xi(\tau)) d\tau \\ & + \int_s^t G(y(\tau), \xi(\tau)) d\tau + \int_s^t p(\tau) d\tau \leq \mu \int_s^t \|My(\tau)\|_S^2 d\tau. \end{aligned} \quad (4.19)$$

From the inequalities (2.7) and (2.8) it follows that

$$\int_s^t F(y(\tau), \xi(\tau)) d\tau \geq 0 \quad (4.20)$$

and

$$\int_s^t G(y(\tau), \xi(\tau)) d\tau \geq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi(y(t)) - \Phi(y(s))] + \lambda \int_s^t \Phi(y(\tau)) d\tau, \quad 0 < s < t. \quad (4.21)$$

Taking into account now (4.19) – (4.21) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}(y(t), Py(t))_0 + \frac{1}{2}\Phi(y(t)) - \frac{1}{2}(y(s), Py(s))_0 - \frac{1}{2}\Phi(y(s)) \\ & + 2\lambda \int_s^t \left[ \frac{1}{2}(y(\tau), Py(\tau))_0 - \frac{1}{2}\Phi(y(\tau)) \right] d\tau + \int_s^t p(\tau) d\tau \leq \mu \int_s^t \|My(\tau)\|_S^2 d\tau. \end{aligned} \quad (4.22)$$

Now, we conclude that (4.22) implies the inequality (4.12) with the functions  $m(\cdot)$ ,  $p(\cdot)$  and  $g(\cdot)$  defined by (4.13) – (4.15).

**Remark 4.1** The frequency-domain condition **(A4)** depends on imbedding properties of the Sobolev spaces under consideration. Assume, for example, that  $G \equiv 0$  and

$$F(y, \xi) = \beta_0 \|y\|_0^2 - \beta_1 \|y\|_1^2, \quad (y, \xi) \in Y_0 \times \Xi, \quad (4.23)$$

where  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are certain real constants.

In order to verify (4.10) we introduce the frequency-domain characteristic

$$\chi(i\omega) := (i\omega I^c - A_\lambda^c)^{-1} B^c \quad (4.24)$$

for  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$  s. t.  $i\omega \in \rho(A_\lambda^c)$ , where  $A_\lambda^c := A^c + \lambda I^c$ .

It follows that the frequency-domain condition (4.10) is satisfied if

$$\beta_0 \|\chi(i\omega)\xi\|_{Y_0^c}^2 - \beta_1 \|\chi(i\omega)\xi\|_{Y_1^c}^2 - \delta \|M^c \chi(i\omega)\xi\|_{S^c}^2 \leq 0, \quad \forall \xi \in \Xi^c, \quad \forall \omega \in \mathbb{R} : \quad i\omega \in \rho(A_\lambda^c). \quad (4.25)$$

Suppose now that from the imbedding  $Y_1^c \subset Y_0^c \subset Y_{-1}^c$  and the properties of the observation operator  $M$  we have the a priori estimate

$$\|v\|_{Y_0^c}^2 \leq c_1 \|v\|_{Y_1^c}^2 + c_2 \varepsilon_{M^c} \|M^c v\|_{S^c}^2, \quad \forall v \in Y_1^c, \quad (4.26)$$

where  $c_1 > 0$  and  $c_2 > 0$  are certain constants and

$$\varepsilon_{M^c} = \varepsilon_{M^c}(Y_1^c, Y_0^c) := \sup \{ \|w\|_{Y_0^c} : w \in Y_1^c, M^c w = 0_{S^c}, \|w\|_{Y_1^c} \leq 1 \} \quad (4.27)$$

is the *completeness defect* of the observation operator  $M^c$  with respect to the imbedding  $Y_1^c \subset Y_0^c$ .

It follows from (4.26) that the frequency-domain condition (4.25) is satisfied if

$$\beta_0 c_1 \|\chi(i\omega)\xi\|_{Y_1^c}^2 - \beta_1 \|\chi(i\omega)\xi\|_{Y_1^c}^2 + \beta_0 c_2 \varepsilon_{M^c} \|M^c \chi(i\omega)\xi\|_{S^c}^2 - \mu \|M^c \chi(i\omega)\xi\|_{S^c}^2 \leq 0 \quad \forall \xi \in \Xi^c, \quad \forall \omega \in \mathbb{R} : \quad i\omega \in \rho(A_\lambda^c). \quad (4.28)$$

For (4.28) it is sufficient that

$$\beta_0 c_1 - \beta_1 \leq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_0 c_2 \varepsilon_{M^c} - \delta \leq 0. \quad (4.29)$$

We see that if  $\beta_0 c_1 - \beta_1 \leq 0$  the second condition of (4.29) is always satisfied if the completeness defect of the observation operator is small. In this case, assuming that the other assumptions for the Theorem 5.1 are also satisfied, it follows that the observation  $\sigma(t) = My(t)$  is determining for the dissipativity .

Suppose that  $M_k y := (l_1(y), \dots, l_k(y))$ , where  $l_i : Y_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , are continuous linear functionals and  $Y_1 = W^{s,2}(\Omega)$ ,  $Y_0 = W^{\sigma,2}(\Omega)$  with  $s > \sigma$ . Then  $\varepsilon_{M^c} \approx c_1 (\frac{c_2}{k})^{s-\sigma}$ , i.e., the completeness defect of the observation operator  $M_k$  depends on the smoothness properties of the imbedding  $Y_1^c \subset Y_0^c$  (Triebel [14]).  $\square$

## 5 Determining observations for second-order visco-elastic contact problems

A typical frictional contact problem is modeled by the following second-order evolutionary variational inequality (Duvant, Lions [4], Han, Sofonea [8], Jarucěk, Eck [9]): Find a displacement function  $u$  such that for a.a.  $t \in [0, T]$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\ddot{u}(t), v - \dot{u}(t))_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1} + (\mathcal{A} \dot{u}(t), v - \dot{u}(t))_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1} \\ & + \left( g(u(t)), v - \dot{u}(t) \right)_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1} + j(v) - j(\dot{u}(t)) \geq 0, \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{V}_1, \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

$$u(0) = u_0 \in \mathcal{V}_1, \quad \dot{u}(0) = v_0 \in \mathcal{V}_0. \quad (5.2)$$

Here  $\mathcal{V}_1 \subset \mathcal{V}_0 \subset \mathcal{V}_{-1}$  is a Hilbert space rigging structure,  $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_{-1}$  is a linear continuous operator which is called *viscosity operator*.

The nonlinear map  $g : \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_{-1}$  is the *elasticity operator* and  $j : \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  represents the *contact functional*.

Under a solution  $u$  of (5.1), (5.2) on  $(0, T)$  we understand a function  $u(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; \mathcal{V}_1)$  such that  $\dot{u}(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; \mathcal{V}_1)$ ,  $\ddot{u}(\cdot) \in L^2(0, T; \mathcal{V}_1)$ ,  $\int_0^T j(\dot{u}(\tau))d\tau < \infty$ , and (5.1), (5.2) is satisfied for a.a.  $t \in (0, T)$ .

Let us assume that for any  $(u_0, v_0) \in \mathcal{V}_1 \times \mathcal{V}_0$  and any time  $T > 0$  a solution of (5.1), (5.2) exists. In order to rewrite (5.1), (5.2) as a first-order variational inequality (2.4), (2.5) we define the product Hilbert space rigging structure  $Y_1 \subset Y_0 \subset Y_{-1}$  with

$$Y_0 = \mathcal{V}_1 \times \mathcal{V}_0, \quad Y_1 = \mathcal{V}_1 \times \mathcal{V}_1, \quad Y_{-1} = \mathcal{V}_0 \times \mathcal{V}_{-1}. \quad (5.3)$$

Let us introduce the new variables  $y_1 = u$ ,  $y_2 = \dot{u}$  and  $\eta_2 = v$ . It follows that  $\dot{y}_1 = y_2$  and  $\dot{y}_2 = \ddot{u}$ . In this notation the variational inequality (5.1) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} (\dot{y}_2, \eta_2 - y_2)_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1} + (\mathcal{A}y_2, \eta_2 - y_2)_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1} + (g(y_1), \eta_2 - y_2)_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1} \\ + j(\eta_2) - j(y_2) \geq 0, \quad \forall \eta_2 \in \mathcal{V}_1, \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

Using the product topology we get for arbitrary  $y = (y_1, y_2) \in Y_{-1} = \mathcal{V}_0 \times \mathcal{V}_{-1}$  and  $\eta = (\eta_1, \eta_2) \in Y_1 = \mathcal{V}_1 \times \mathcal{V}_1$  the representation of the duality pairing on  $Y_{-1} \times Y_1$  as

$$(y, \eta)_{-1,1} = (y_1, \eta_1)_{\mathcal{V}_1} + (y_2, \eta_2)_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1}. \quad (5.5)$$

It follows from (5.5) that

$$(\dot{y}_2, \eta_2 - y_2)_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1} = (\dot{y}, \eta - y)_{-1,1} - (y_2, \eta_1 - y_1)_{\mathcal{V}_1}. \quad (5.6)$$

A linear bounded operator  $A : Y_1 \rightarrow Y_{-1}$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (-Ay, \eta - y)_{-1,1} = -(y_2, \eta_1 - y_1)_{\mathcal{V}_1} + (\mathcal{A}y_2, \eta_2 - y_2)_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1}, \\ \forall y = (y_1, y_2), \eta = (\eta_1, \eta_2) \in Y_1 = \mathcal{V}_1 \times \mathcal{V}_1. \end{aligned} \quad (5.7)$$

It is easy to see that  $A$  defined by (5.7) has the representation

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ 0 & -\mathcal{A} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (5.8)$$

In order to determine the linear operator  $B : \Xi = \mathcal{V}_1 \rightarrow Y_{-1}$  we use the equation

$$\begin{aligned} (-B\varphi(y_1), \eta - y)_{-1,1} = (\varphi(y_1), \eta_2 - y_2)_{\mathcal{V}_{-1}, \mathcal{V}_1}, \\ \forall y = (y_1, y_2), \eta = (\eta_1, \eta_2) \in Y_1 = \mathcal{V}_1 \times \mathcal{V}_1. \end{aligned} \quad (5.9)$$

From (5.9) it follows that

$$B\varphi(Cy) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\varphi(y_1) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (5.10)$$

where the linear operator  $C : Y_1 \rightarrow W := \mathcal{V}_1$  is defined by  $(y_1, y_2) \mapsto y_1$ .

The last remaining element in the inequality (2.4) is the contact functional  $\psi : Y_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  given by

$$\psi(y) := j(y_2), \quad \forall (y_1, y_2) \in Y_1 = \mathcal{V}_1 \times \mathcal{V}_1. \quad (5.11)$$

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