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Let  $H$  be a real separable Hilbert space and  $A : \mathcal{D}(A) \rightarrow H$  be a positive and self-adjoint (unbounded) operator. We consider the identification problem consisting in searching for a  $H$ -valued function  $u$  and a couple of real numbers  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$ , the first one being positive, that fulfill the initial-value problem

$$u'(t) + \lambda Au(t) = \mu u(t), \quad t \in (0, T), \quad u(0) = u_0,$$

and the additional constraints

$$\|A^{r/2}u(T)\|^2 = \varphi \quad \text{and} \quad \|A^{s/2}u(T)\|^2 = \psi,$$

for some time-instant  $T > 0$ , where we denote by  $A^s$  and  $A^r$  the powers of  $A$  with exponents  $r < s$ . Provided that the given data  $u_0$  and  $\varphi, \psi > 0$  satisfy proper *a priori* limitations, using a Faedo-Galerkin approximation scheme we construct a unique solution  $(u, \lambda, \mu)$  on the whole interval  $[0, T]$ , and exhibit an explicit continuous dependence estimate-of Lipschitz-type-with respect to the data. Also, we provide specific applications to second and fourth-order parabolic initial-boundary value problems. The results are obtained in collaboration with A. Lorenzi. (Received January 24, 2014)