

Exam2 for Differential Equations II(H)

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ν always stands for the outward unit normal vector on the boundary.

1 Basic part(19:00-21:30)

1.(Convolution) Suppose $\eta(x) \in C_0^\infty(B_1)$, $\eta(x) = \begin{cases} C_0 e^{\frac{1}{|x|^2-1}} & , |x| < 1 \\ 0 & , |x| \geq 1 \end{cases}$, such that $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \eta(x) dx = 1$.

Let $f^\epsilon(x) = (\eta^\epsilon * f)(x)$, where $\eta^\epsilon(x) = \epsilon^{-n} \eta(\frac{x}{\epsilon})$. Prove that:

- (a) If $f \in C^0(U)$, then for any subset $V \subset\subset U$, we have: $f^\epsilon(x) \rightarrow f$ in V .
- (b) If $f \in L^p_{loc}(U)$, $1 < p < +\infty$. Prove that: $f^\epsilon(x) \rightarrow f$ in $L^p_{loc}(U)$.
- (c) If f is a convex function. Prove that $f^\epsilon(x)$ is also a convex function.
- (d) If $f(t) \in C^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R})$, $f'(t) \geq 0$. Prove that $f^\epsilon(t)$ is non-decreasing in \mathbb{R} .
- (e) If $f(t) \in C^0(U)$, $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. Prove that:

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f^\epsilon(x) \right| \leq \frac{C}{\epsilon} \sup_{B(x,\epsilon)} |f|, \quad \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} f^\epsilon(x) \right| \leq \frac{C}{\epsilon} \sup_{B(x,\epsilon)} |f|.$$

2.(Sobolev space)

(a) For which $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ does the function $f(x) = \frac{|\ln|x||^\alpha}{|x|^2}$ belong to $H^1(B_{\frac{1}{2}}(0))$?

(b) Prove the Trace Theorem: Assume U is bounded and ∂U is C^1 . Then there exists a bounded linear operator $T : W^{1,p}(U) \rightarrow L^p(\partial U)$, such that:

(i) $Tu = u|_{\partial U}$ if $u \in W^{1,p}(U) \cap C(\bar{U})$

(ii) $\|Tu\|_{L^p(\partial U)} \leq C \|u\|_{W^{1,p}(U)}$, for each $u \in W^{1,p}(U)$, with $C \sim n, p, U$.

(c) State the Rellich-Kondrachov Compactness Theorem, and apply it to prove the Poincare's inequality: Let U be a bounded, connected, open subset of \mathbb{R}^n , ∂U is C^1 , $1 \leq p \leq +\infty$. Then there exists $C \sim n, p, U$, such that

$$\|u - (u)_U\|_{L^p(U)} \leq C \|Du\|_{L^p(U)}$$

for each $u \in W^{1,p}(U)$, where $(u)_U = \int_U u(x) dx / |U|$.

(d) Assume $1 \leq p < \infty$, U is bounded, $u \in W^{1,p}(U)$. Prove that $u^+ \in W^{1,p}(U)$ and

$$Du^+ = \begin{cases} Du & , a.e. in \{u > 0\} \\ 0 & , a.e. in \{u \leq 0\} \end{cases}$$

3.(Fredholm alternative)

(a) Consider the eigenvalue problem:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u + \lambda u = 0 & in \ U = [0, \pi] \times [0, \pi] \\ u = 0 & on \ \partial U \end{cases}$$

Find the first and the second eigenvalue λ_1, λ_2 and the corresponding eigenfunctions u_1, u_2 .

(b) Consider the equation:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u + 5u = x - a & \text{in } U \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

For which $a \in \mathbb{R}$ does this equation exist at least one solution ?

(c) Consider the equation:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u + 3u = x^2 + y^2 & \text{in } U \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

Show that there exists a unique solution to this equation, and find the appropriate constant C , such that $\|u\|_{L^2(U)} \leq C$.

4. Suppose $a_{ij}(x) \in C^1(\bar{U})$, $\partial U \in C^1$, $f \in L^2(U)$, $\lambda|\xi|^2 \leq a_{ij}(x)\xi_i\xi_j \leq \Lambda|\xi|^2$, $c(x) \in L^\infty(U)$. Consider the equation:

$$\begin{cases} -\sum_{i,j} (a_{ij}(x)u_i)_j + c(x)u = f & , \text{in } U \\ u = 0 & , \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

Assume $u \in H_0^1(U)$ is a weak solution of this equation.

(a) For any subset $V \subset\subset U$, prove that:

$$\int_V |Du|^2 dx \leq C \int_U (f^2 + u^2) dx$$

where $C \sim V, U$, coefficients of L .

Hint: Consider $v = \xi^2 u$

(b) For any $x_0 \in \partial U$, prove that:

$$\int_{B_r(x_0) \cap U} |Du|^2 dx \leq C \int_U (f^2 + u^2) dx$$

where $C \sim r$ and coefficients of L .

Hint: Consider $v = \xi^2 u$

(c) For any subset $V \subset\subset U$, prove that:

$$\int_V |D^2 u|^2 dx \leq C \int_U (f^2 + u^2) dx$$

where $C \sim V, U$, coefficients of L .

5. **(Maximum principal)** Assume U is a bounded, smooth and convex open subset in \mathbb{R}^2 . Consider the Dirichlet problem:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = -2 & \text{in } U \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

(a) Prove that $u > 0$ in U and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} |_{\partial U} < 0$

(b) Let $v = -\sqrt{u} < 0$ in U , then we have

$$\begin{cases} v\Delta v = -(1 + |Dv|^2) & \text{in } U \\ v = 0 & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

Prove that if $\varphi = v_{11}v_{22} - v_{12}^2 \geq 0$ in U , then $\varphi \equiv 0$ or $\varphi > 0$ in U .

(c) Based on (b), prove that v is strictly convex in U .

2 Additional part(21:30-22:30)

6. Consider a positive harmonic function $\Delta u + u = 0$, $u > 0$ in $B_1(0) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, prove that there is a positive constant $C = C(n)$, such that: $|\nabla \log u| \leq C$ in $B_{\frac{1}{2}}(0)$.

7. Let $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ to be a bounded domain with smooth boundary, $\varphi \in C^\infty(\bar{U})$. $u \in C^\infty(\bar{U})$ is a solution to:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = 1 & \text{in } U \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} = \varphi & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

Prove that:

(a) Prove that there is a positive constant $C \sim U, g, n$, such that:

$$\sup_{\bar{U}} |Du| \leq C(1 + \sup_{\partial U} |Du|)$$

(b) Let $d_0 > 0$ is a small real number such that $U_{d_0} = \{x \in U | \text{dist}(x, \partial U) \geq d_0\}$ is nonempty. Prove that:

$$\sup_{U_{d_0}} |Du| \leq \frac{C_1}{d_0}$$

Where $C_1 \sim n, \sup_{\bar{U}} |u|$.

(c) Prove that:

$$\sup_{\bar{U} \setminus U_{d_0}} |Du| \leq C_2$$

Where $C_2 \sim \varphi, \sup_{\bar{U}} |u|, U$.