

# Homework 8

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**PDE**  
**Homework 8**  
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*2nd parabolic PDE*

- 1. prove there is at most one smooth solution to the heat equation with the following initial and boundary conditions.

$$u_t - \Delta u = f, \quad \text{in } U \times [0, T],$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} = 0, \quad \text{on } \partial U \times [0, T],$$

$$u = g, \quad \text{on } U \times \{0\},$$

for given functions  $f, g$  and where  $\nu$  is the outward orthonormal vector field to  $\partial U$ .

- 2. prove there is at most one smooth solution to the beam equation with the following initial and boundary conditions.

$$L^2 \mathfrak{u} \\ u_{tt} + u_{xxxx} = f, \quad \text{in } (0, 1) \times [0, T]$$

$$u = u_x = 0,$$

$$\text{on } (\{0\} \times [0, T]) \cup (\{1\} \times [0, T]),$$

$$u = g, \quad u_t = h, \quad \text{on } [0, 1] \times \{0\},$$

for given functions  $g, h$ .

- 3. In Galerkin's method, the functions  $w_i$ , which are defined as the solutions to the Dirichlet problem  $-\Delta w_i = \lambda_i w_i$  can be understood as both an orthogonal basis for  $L^2(U)$  and also  $H_0^1(U)$ . By investigating the rigorous definition of the basis for infinite-dimensional spaces, explain how that's possible.

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I. Define  $[u(t)](x) / [f(t)](x)$ ,  $v \in H_0^1(U)$   
 $u \in L^2(0, T; H_0^1(U))$ , with  $u_t \in L^2(0, T; H^{-1}(U))$

$$\int_{U \times \{t\}} u_t v dx + B[u, v; t] = \int_{U \times \{t\}} f v \quad \text{for all test functions}$$

$$\langle u_t, v \rangle + B[u, v; t] = (f, v)$$

Since  $H_0^1(U)$  is a vector space  $\Rightarrow$  countable orthonormal basis  $w_1, w_2, \dots$

Which solves  $-\Delta w_k = \lambda_k w_k$  on  $U$  smooth function

$E_N :=$  the space generated by  $w_1, \dots, w_N = \langle w_1, \dots, w_N \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow E_1 \subset E_2 \subset \dots \subset E_N \subset \dots \subset H_0^1(U)$$

Define the projection map  $P_N: H_0^1(U) \rightarrow E_N$

$$P_N \left( \sum_i c_i w_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i w_i$$

let  $u_N$  denote the solution to the restriction of the parabolic PDE to  $E_N$

$$(u_N)_t + P_N(\overset{\Delta}{L}(u_N)) = P_N(f)$$

Assume that  $f$  &  $g$  are in  $H_0^1(U)$   $\Rightarrow$

$$f = \sum_i f_i(t) w_i, g = \sum_i g_i w_i, u_N = \sum_i (c_i^N(t)) w_i$$

$$B[u, v; t] = \sum_{ij} \int_{U \times \{t\}} a_{ij}(t, x) u_{xi} v_{xj} dx + \int_{U \times \{t\}} b_i(t, x) u_{xi} v dx + \int_{U \times \{t\}} c(t, x) u v dx$$

Substituting into the PDE  $\Rightarrow$  A system of ODE

$$c_i^N(t)' + \sum_{i,j=1}^N e_{i,j}(t) c_j^N(t) = f_i(t)$$

The initial condition then become

$$c_i^N(0) = g_i$$

$\Rightarrow$  we could easily find  $u_N = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i^N(t) w_i$

$\Rightarrow$  We then try to prove its uniqueness

Assume  $u_1$  &  $u_2$  to be two weak solutions

$$u := u_1 - u_2$$

Goal: Show  $u=0$  everywhere on  $U \times [0, T]$

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$$(u_t, v)_{L^2(U \times \{t\})} + B[u, v; t] = 0$$

Let  $v = u$  on each time slice

$$\Rightarrow \underline{(u_t, u)_{L^2(U \times \{t\})}} + B[u, u; t] = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \partial_t \|u\|_{L^2}^2$$

Since for every  $t$  since  $L$  is uniformly elliptic

$$B[u, u; t] \geq \beta \|u\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 - r \|u\|_{L^2(U)}^2 \geq -r \|u\|_{L^2(U)}^2$$

$$\text{Let } h(t) = \|u\|_{L^2(U \times \{t\})}^2$$

$$h'(t) \leq 2r h(t)$$

The Grönwall's inequality says

$$h(t) \leq h(0) \int_0^t (-2r) dt = 0$$

Since  $h(0) = 0 \Leftrightarrow u = 0$  when  $t = 0$

Suppose  $f$  &  $g$  are smooth bounded functions. Suppose the coefficients defining

$L$  are also smooth & bounded. Then, the unique weak solution  $u$  is smooth.

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2.

$$u_{tt} + u_{xxx} = f \quad \text{in } (0,1) \times [0,T]$$

$$u = u_x = 0 \quad \text{on } (\{0\} \times [0,T]) \cup \{1\} \times [0,T])$$

$$u = g, u_t = h \quad \text{on } [0,1] \times \{0\}$$

According to the energy estimates, we see that the sequence  $\{u_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded in  $L^2(0,T; H_0^1(U))$ ,  $\{u'_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded in  $L^2(0,T; L^2(U))$  and  $\{u''_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded in  $L^2(0,T; H^{-1}(U))$ ,  $u'' \in L^2(0,T; H^{-1}(U))$

Next fix an integer  $N$  and choose a function  $v \in C^1([0,T]; H_0^1(U))$  of the form

$$v(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N C_k^N(t) w_k$$

$$\langle u'', v \rangle + B[Lu, v, t] = (f, v)$$

↓ Integrating by parts twice with t

$$\int_0^T \langle v'', u \rangle + B[Lu, v, t] = \int_0^T (f, v) dt - (u(0), v'(0)) + \langle u'(0), v(0) \rangle$$

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$$\int_0^T \langle v'', u^N \rangle + B[Lu_N, v, t] = \int_0^T (f, v) dt - \underbrace{(u_m(0), v'(0))}_{g} + \underbrace{(u'_m(0), v(0))}_{h}$$

Since  $v(0), v'(0)$  are arbitrary. Hence  $u$  is a weak solution

Assume there are 2 weak solutions  $u_1, u_2 \in H_0^1(U)$  and  $u = u_1 - u_2 = 0$  with  $f \equiv g \equiv h \equiv 0$

To verify this, fix  $0 \leq s \leq T$  and set

$$v(t) := \begin{cases} \int_t^s u(T) dT & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq s \\ 0 & \text{if } s \leq t \leq T \end{cases}$$

$v(t) \in H_0^1(U)$  for each  $0 \leq t \leq T$

$$\int_0^s \langle u'', v \rangle + B[Lu, v; t] dt = 0$$

Since  $u'(0) = v(s) = 0$

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Integrating by parts the first term

$$\int_0^s -(\mu', \nu') + B[\mathcal{L}\mu, \nu; t] dt = 0$$

Now  $\nu' = -\mu$  ( $0 \leq t \leq s$ ), and so

$$\int_0^s \langle \mu', \mu \rangle - B[\mathcal{L}\nu, \nu; t] dt = 0$$

$$\int_0^s \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} \|\mu\|_{L^2(U)}^2 - \frac{1}{2} B[\mathcal{L}\nu, \nu; t] \right) dt = - \int_0^s (\mathcal{L}\mu, \nu; t) + D[\nu, \nu; t] dt$$

For  $\mu, \nu \in H_0^1(U)$  Hence

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\mu(s)\|_{L^2(U)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} B[\nu(0), \nu(0); t] = - \int_0^s (\mathcal{L}\mu, \nu; t) + D[\nu, \nu; t] dt$$

$$\|\mu(s)\|_{L^2(U)}^2 + \|\nu(0)\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 \leq C \left( \int_0^s \|\nu\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 dt + \|\mathcal{L}\mu\|_{L^2(U)}^2 dt + \|\nu(0)\|_{L^2(U)}^2 \right)$$

Now let's write  $w(t) := \int_0^t \mu(\tau) d\tau$  ( $0 \leq t \leq T$ )

$$\|\mu(s)\|_{L^2(U)}^2 + \|w(s)\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 \leq C \left( \int_0^s \|w(t) - w(s)\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 dt + \|\mathcal{L}\mu\|_{L^2(U)}^2 dt + \|w(s)\|_{L^2(U)}^2 \right)$$

$$\text{However } \|w(t) - w(s)\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 \leq 2 \|w(t)\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 + 2 \|w(s)\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2$$

$$\text{And } \|w(s)\|_{L^2(U)} \leq \int_0^s \|\mu(t)\|_{L^2(U)} dt$$

$$\|\mu(s)\|_{L^2(U)}^2 + (1 - 2sC_1) \|w(s)\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 \leq C_1 \int_0^s \|w\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 dt + \|\mathcal{L}\mu\|_{L^2(U)}^2 dt$$

Choose  $T_1$  so small that

$$1 - 2T_1 C_1 \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

Then if  $0 \leq s \leq T_1$ , we have

$$\|\mu(s)\|_{L^2(U)}^2 + \|w(s)\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 \leq C \int_0^s \|\mathcal{L}\mu\|_{L^2(U)}^2 + \|w\|_{H_0^1(U)}^2 dt$$

Gronwall's inequality implies  $\mu = 0$  on  $[0, T_1]$

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3. By looking at the basis for infinite-dimensional spaces  
We know that  $S_1$ : any linear subset of a vector space  $\checkmark$

If  $S_1$  spans  $V$  then  $S_1$  is an orthonormal basis

Let's first assume that  $W_i$  is an orthonormal basis of  $H_0^1(V)$

where  $H_0^1(V) \subseteq H^1(V) = W^{1,2}(V)$

$$\downarrow \\ L^2(D)$$

Say  $V \subset L^2(V) \cap H_0^1(V)$

if  $W_i$  is an orthonormal basis of  $H_0^1(V)$  but not  $L^2(V)$

We could do  $S_2 = W \cup \{v_i\}$  as a larger linearly independent set

$$\Rightarrow S_1 \subset S_2 \subset S_3 \dots$$

Clearly the Union of all  $S_i$  is a linearly independent set, since  
any finite linear combination of the elements of the union must involve elements  
from one of sets  $S_i$ .