

# PDE I Final HW

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## II

1. We can write the smooth solution  $u = \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k$  for  $\lambda_k \leq \lambda_{k+1}$  eigenvalues of the  $-\Delta$  operator with zero Dirichlet boundary conditions,  $w_k$  are the corresponding eigenfunctions, and  $c_k = \int_{\Omega} g(x) w_k(x) dx$  are the Fourier coefficients with respect to the orthonormal basis  $(w_k)_k$ .

Multiplying (10) by  $u$ , we have:

$$u \partial_t u - u \Delta u + u f(u) = 0$$

Plugging in, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x) [\partial_t \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x)] - \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x) [\Delta \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x)] + \\ & \quad \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x) f(\sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x)) = 0 \\ & - \sum_k \lambda_k c_k^2 e^{-2\lambda_k t} w_k(x) - \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x) [\Delta \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x)] + \\ & \quad \sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x) f(\sum_k c_k e^{-\lambda_k t} w_k(x)) = 0 \\ & \implies \beta \|u\|_{L^2}^2 + B[u, u] + u f(u) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for some constant  $\beta$ .

It makes sense intuitively that the function decreases. Multiplying (10) by  $\partial_t u$ , we have:

$$(\partial_t u)^2 - \partial_t u \Delta u + \partial_t u f(u) = 0$$

The decreasing nature of  $E(u)$  is furthermore clear when we consider the Poincare inequality:

$$\int_{\Omega} |u|^2 dx \leq C \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx$$

We need to show that the gradient is less than 0.

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3. (a)

First, let  $w_k$  be the complete set of appropriately normalized eigenfunctions for  $-\Delta$ , which is an orthonormal basis of  $L^2(\Omega)$  and  $H_0^1(\Omega)$ .

Write the smooth solution  $u = \sum_k c_k w_k$ . Note here that  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  denotes the  $L^2$  inner product. The  $u$  satisfies:

$$(\partial_t u, w_k) + B[u, w_k; t] + f(u) = 0$$