

PDE Summary

1 General Stuff

- *Standard mollifier:*

$$\eta(x) = \exp\left(\frac{1}{x^2 - 1}\right) \mathbf{1}_{[-1,1]}$$

is a C_c^∞ hump.

$$\eta_\varepsilon(x) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^n} \eta(x/\varepsilon).$$

Normalization ($\int = 1$) is still missing.

- *Gamma function:*

$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{\alpha-1} dt.$$

- *Volumes of sphere and ball:*

$$|S^{n-1}| = \omega_n r^{n-1} = \frac{2\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(n/2)} r^{n-1}.$$

$$|B^n| = \frac{\omega_n}{n} r^n.$$

- *Green's identities:*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_U v \Delta u &= - \int_U \nabla v \cdot \nabla u + \int_{\partial U} v \partial_n u \\ \int_U v \Delta u - u \Delta v &= \int_{\partial U} v \partial_n u - u \partial_n v \end{aligned}$$

- *Young's Inequality:*

$$\|f * g\|_{L^r} \leq \|f\|_{L^p} \|g\|_{L^q} \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{r}.$$

In particular $q = 1$, $r = p$.

- *Generalized Hölder:*

$$\|f_1 \cdot f_2 \cdots f_m\|_{L^1} \leq \|f_1\|_{p_1} \|f_2\|_{p_2} \cdots \|f_m\|_{p_m}$$

if

$$\frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{p_m} = 1.$$

- *Interpolation Inequality for L^p :* If $1 \leq s \leq r \leq t \leq \infty$

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{\theta}{s} + \frac{1-\theta}{t},$$

$u \in L^s \cap L^t$, then $u \in L^r$ and

$$\|u\|_{L^r} \leq \|u\|_{L^s}^\theta + \|u\|_{L^t}^{1-\theta}.$$

- *Compact:* Every open cover has finite subcover. Metric space: \Leftrightarrow sequentially compact. Heine-Borel (finite-dim): \Leftrightarrow closed and bounded.
- *Arzelà-Ascoli:* (S, d) compact metric space. $M \subset C(S)$ with sup-norm is compact if M is bounded, closed and equicontinuous.
- *Precompact:* has compact closure.
- *Compact operator:* $T: B_1 \rightarrow B_2$ compact if T continuous and $T(A)$ precompact for every bounded A .
- *Fredholm Alternative:* $T: B \rightarrow B$ linear, continuous, compact:
 - either $(I - T)x = 0$ has a nontrivial solution

- or $(I - T)^{-1}$ exists and is bounded.

“Uniqueness and Compactness \Rightarrow Existence”.

- *Lax-Milgram*: $B: H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$, bounded above and coercive $\Rightarrow B[u, g] = F(u)$ solvable in H for every $g \in H$.

Proof: Build operator $T_g: H \rightarrow H^*$ that gives $T_g(u) = B[u, g]$ (Riesz rep.). Prove 1-1 and onto.

The point is: *no symmetry*.

- *Banach-Steinhaus/Uniform Boundedness Principle*:
 X BR, Y NR, $T_i \in L(X, Y)$ ($i \in I$), $\sup_{i \in I} \|T_i x\| < \infty$ ($x \in X$)
 $\Rightarrow \sup_i \|T_i\| < \infty$.
 Read as “linear+pw bounded \Rightarrow uniformly bounded.”

2 Equations

- *Classification of second order equations*:

$$A_{i,j} \partial_i \partial_j u + B_i \partial_i u + C = 0,$$

where A is symmetric WLOG can be rewritten into one of

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} + \text{l.o.d.} = F,$$

$$u_{xx} - u_{yy} + \text{l.o.d.} = F,$$

$$u_{xx} \pm u_y + \text{l.o.d.} = F.$$

- *Minimal surface equation*:

$$\operatorname{div} \left(\frac{Du}{\sqrt{|Du|^2 + 1}} \right) = 0$$

- *Monge-Ampère equation*:

$$\det(D^2u) = K(x)(1 + |Du|^2)^{(n+2)/2}$$

3 Laplace's Equation

U open.

- $u \in C^2(U)$: harmonic, subharmonic $\Delta u \geq 0$, superharmonic.
- *Mean Value Inequality*: u subharmonic

$$u(x) \leq \int_{S(x,r)} u(y) dS_y$$

$$u(x) \leq \int_{S(x,r)} u(y) dB$$

(implies *Mean Value Property* if harmonic)

Proof: $0 \leq \int_B \Delta u = \int_S \partial_n u$, then exploit $\partial_n u = \partial_r(x + \rho n)$. $\int_B u = \int_r \int_{|\omega|=1} u = u \int_r$.

- *Strong Maximum Principle*: U bounded, connected, u subharmonic, $u(x) = \sup_U u \Rightarrow u$ constant
 Proof: Consider $\{u = \sup\}$. By MVI, $u = \sup$ on any ball in U . Thus $\{u = \sup\}$ open. But so is $\{u < \sup\}$. $U = \{u = \sup\} \cup \{u < \sup\}$, both open $\Rightarrow \{u = \sup\} = U$.
- *Weak maximum principle*: $u \in C(\bar{U})$ and subharmonic. Then u assumes extrema on the boundary.
 Proof: SMP or: Suppose $x \in U$ is max and $\Delta u > 0$. Then $Du = 0$ and D^2u negative semidef, contradicting $\Delta u = \operatorname{tr}(D^2u) \geq 0$. If only $\Delta u \geq 0$, consider $u + \varepsilon|x|^2$, which is strictly subharmonic.
- Strong \Rightarrow constant, Weak \Rightarrow extrema on boundary.

- Uniqueness follows directly from the WMP.
- *Harnack's Inequality*: $u \geq 0$ (!) harmonic, $U' \subset \subset U$ connected $\Rightarrow \exists C$ such that $\sup u < C \inf u$.
Proof: Pick $x_1, x_2 \in U$, apply MVP for large and small circle, respectively, then shrink/expand domain by using $u \geq 0$, take sup/inf. Use cover of balls to repeat argument as necessary.
- *Fundamental solution*: look for radial symmetry

$$\psi = C + \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\pi} \log r & n=2, \\ \frac{1}{(2-n)\omega_n} r^{2-n} & n \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

Constant chosen because it gives the right constant to prove $\Delta\psi = \delta_0$ (use Green's second id on a ball surrounding the singularity). $K(x, \xi) = \psi(|x - \xi|)$.

- *Liouville's Theorem*: (only in 2D) Subharmonic functions bounded above are constant.
- $u \in C^2(\bar{U})$:

$$u(\xi) = \int_U K(x, \xi) \Delta u dx + \int_{\partial U} u \partial_{n_x} K(x, \xi) - K(x, \xi) \partial_{n_x} u dS_x. \quad (1)$$

Proof: Integrate on $U \setminus B_\varepsilon$, $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

Remains valid if K replaced by $K + w$ with harmonic w .

- *Green's function for Dirichlet problem*: $\Delta_x G = \delta_\xi$, $G(x, \xi) = 0$ for $x \in \partial U$. Use G in (1). To get one, we need to find w with $w = -K$ on ∂U . (Use method of images.) For a ball, we get the *Poisson kernel*

$$H(x, \xi) = \frac{r^2 - |\xi|^2}{\omega_n r |x - \xi|^n}$$

Poisson's integral formula:

$$u(\xi) = \int_{S(0, r)} H(x, \xi) f(x) dS_x.$$

- *Kelvin's transformation*: u harmonic \Rightarrow

$$|x|^{2-n} u(x/|x|^2) \text{ harmonic for } x \neq 0.$$

- Properties of H :

- $H(x, \xi) = H(\xi, x)$
- $H(x, \xi) > 0$ on $B(0, r)$
- $\Delta_\xi H(x, \xi) = 0$ for $\xi \in B(0, r)$ and $x \in S(0, r)$
- $\int_{S(0, 1)} H(x, \xi) dS_x = 1$

- *Existence on a ball*: also gives $C(\bar{B})$

Proof: Differentiate under integral (using DCT). Prove continuity onto the boundary by

$$u(\xi) - f(y) = \int_{S(\xi, r)} H(x, \xi) (f(x) - f(y)) dS_x$$

Use ε - δ -continuity of f and split integral into $|x - y| < \delta$ and $|x - y| > \delta$. (Method called *approximate identities*.)

- *Converse of MVP*: $u \in C(U)$ harmonic \Leftrightarrow satisfies MVP for every $B(x, r) \subset U$.

Proof: Construct a harmonic function v on $B(x, r)$ with $v = u$ on $S(x, r)$. $v - u$ satisfies MVP on any subcircle, thus it satisfies the strong maximum principle. Thus $v = u$.

- *Real analytic*: completely represented by absolutely convergent Taylor series.

$\exists M > 0 \forall \alpha: |\partial^\alpha f(y)| \leq \frac{M |\alpha|!}{r^{|\alpha|}} \Leftrightarrow$ analytic.

Real analytic f is completely determined by power series (use similar open-set method on $\{\partial^\alpha h(y) = 0 \forall \alpha\}$ as SMP)

- *Harmonic* \Rightarrow *Analytic*: Consider $H(x, \xi + i\sigma)$. Find a region of σ where H is differentiable.
- Analyticity estimates can be obtained by the MVP applied to $\partial_{x_j}u$, then coordinatewise Gauß, giving

$$|\partial_{x_j}u(x)| \leq \frac{n}{r} \max_{S(x,r)} |u| \leq \frac{n}{r} \sup_U |u|.$$

Then iterate this estimate with $1/|\alpha|$ radius to get

$$|\partial^\alpha u(x)| \leq \left(\frac{n|\alpha|}{r} \right)^{|\alpha|} \max_{S(x,r)} |u|.$$

- Uniformly (on compact subsets of U) converging sequences of harmonic functions converge to harmonic functions.
Proof: Limit is continuous (because of uniform convergence). Now exchange limits (DCT) in MVP and prove harmonicity.
- *Harnack's convergence theorem*: u_k harmonic, increasing and bounded at a point. Then (u_k) converges uniformly on compact subsets to a harmonic function.
Proof: above + Harnack inequality.
- "*Montel's Theorem*"—a compactness criterion:
 (u_k) bounded, harmonic $\Rightarrow \exists$ uniformly (on compact subsets) converging subsequence \rightarrow harmonic limit.
Proof: (u_k) is equicontinuous because of the derivative estimates and the assumed uniform bound.
- *Subharmonicity on $C(U)$* : Satisfies MVI locally.
- Perron's method:
 - $S_f := \{v \in C(\bar{U}), v \leq \text{BC}, v \text{ subharmonic}\}$.
 - $u := \sup S_f$ is harmonic.
Proof:
 - S_f is closed under finite max. (MVI)
 - *Harmonic lifting*: v subharmonic,
$$V(x) = \begin{cases} \text{harmonic function with matching BCs } B(\xi, r), \\ v & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

$$v \in S_f \Rightarrow V \in S_f, v \leq V.$$
 - Fix a closed ball, grab sequence $v_k \rightarrow u$ at a point ξ . $\bar{v}_k := \max(v_1, \dots, v_k, \text{min BC})$.
 - Replace these by their harmonic lifting V_k around ξ .
 - HCT for a limit V .
 - Prove $V = u$ on ball by finding SMP uniqueness of harmonic liftings of in-between ($V < u$) functions.
- *Barrier function at $y \in \partial U$ /regular boundary point*:
 $w \in C(\bar{U})$ subharmonic, $w(y) = 0$, $w(\partial U \setminus \{y\}) < 0$.
 \exists tangent plane \Rightarrow regular
 \exists exterior sphere \Rightarrow barrier = $K(\text{boundary point, outside center}) - K(x, \text{outside center})$
 \exists exterior cone \Rightarrow regular
- At regular boundary points, $u = \text{BC}$.
Proof:
 - Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. δ from ε - δ with f .
 - $v = \text{BC} + A \cdot \text{barrier} - \varepsilon$, where $A w \leq -2 \max \text{BC}$ outside a ball around the boundary point in question. v subharmonic by def.

- Show $v \leq f(x)$ on boundary and interior.
- Do some funky tricks involving $-f$, its Perron function, and the maximum principle to show opposite inequality.
- The Dirichlet problem is solvable for all continuous BC data iff the domain is regular.

3.1 Energy Methods

- $0 = \int w \Delta w = \int |\nabla w|^2$ proves uniqueness in $C^2(\bar{U})$.
- *Energy Functional:*

$$I[w] = \int_U \frac{1}{2} |\nabla w|^2 + w g dx$$

for g the RHS.

- *Dirichlet's principle:* $u \in C^2(\bar{U})$ solves PDE+BC \Leftrightarrow it minimizes $I[u]$ over $\{w \in C^2(\bar{U}), w = \text{RHS on } \partial\Omega\}$.

Proof: PDE \Rightarrow min: Start from

$$0 = \int (-\Delta u + g)(u - w),$$

use Gauß, Cauchy-Schwarz, $\sqrt{a}\sqrt{b} \leq 1/2(a^2 + b^2)$.

min \Rightarrow PDE: $w = u + tv$, for $v \in C_c^\infty$. Differentiate by t .

3.2 Potentials

- *Potential of a measure:*

$$u_\mu(x) = \frac{2-n}{\omega_n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K(x, y) \mu(dy) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |x-y|^{2-n} \mu(dy)$$

- Computable for a sphere with uniform charge density (same as point charge), finite line, disk.
- $u_\mu = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = 0$.
Proof: Show $\mu * f = 0$ for any $f \in C_c^\infty$ by

$$\mu * f = \mu * (K * \Delta f) = (\mu * K) * \Delta f = 0.$$

- *Potentials of compact set:* Harmonic function with BC 1 on compact set F and BC zero at infinity. Perron function on ever-increasing balls-independent of exact domains.
- *A (unique) generating (positive) measure on ∂F exists:*
Proof (if $\partial F \in C^2$): by Poisson's boundary representation formula (with both u and $\partial_n u$)

$$p_F(\xi) = \int_{\partial F} K(x, \xi) \underbrace{\partial_n p_F}_{\text{measure!}} dS_x.$$

$\partial_n u \leq 0$ by the max principle (1 on the boundary must be the max value) \Rightarrow positivity.

Proof (if not):

- Approximate F through shrinking compact sets with C^∞ boundary ($1/k^2$ -mollified indicators of $F^{1/k} = \{\text{dist}(x, F) \leq 1/k\}$). $\psi = \varphi_{1/k^2} * \mathbf{1}_{F^{1/k}}$. Then consider $F^{1/2k} \subset \psi^{-1}([c, 1]) \subset F^{1/k}$ and use Sard's Theorem to deduce boundary smoothness for a.e. c . Generate μ_k by above theorem.
- $p_{F_k} \rightarrow p_F$ uniformly on compact subsets (Harnack)
- Prove $\mu_k(\mathbb{R}^n) \leq R^{n-2}$ by using a $B(0, R) \supset F_k$ -use Fubini and the generator of the disk potential. ("Gauß' trick") Thus \exists weak-* convergent subsequence supported on ∂F . Thus convergence of $p_{F_k} \rightarrow p_F$ away from ∂F . Uniqueness by uniqueness of potentials of measures.

3.3 Lebesgue's Thorn

- In 2D, Riemann mapping theorem guarantees that point regularity is topological, not geometric.
- Lebesgue's Thorn: Using level sets of the potential of the measure $x^\beta dx$ on $(0, 1)$, one may construct exceptional points.

3.4 Capacity

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$$\text{cap}(F) = \mu_F(\mathbb{R}^n) = \frac{2-n}{\omega_n} \int_{\partial F \text{ or enclosing surface}} \partial_n p_F dS_x.$$

- If $\partial F \in C^2$, Green's 1st id gives

$$\text{cap}(F) = \frac{2-n}{\omega_n} \int_{U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \setminus F} |\nabla p_F|^2.$$

- *Wiener's criterion:* $y \in \partial U$ regular \Leftrightarrow

$$\lambda^{2-n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{k(2-n)} \text{cap}(F_k) \quad F_k := \{\lambda^{k+1} \leq |x-y| \leq \lambda^k\} \quad (\lambda \in (0, 1)).$$

- Properties of capacity:

- $F_1 \subset F_2 \Rightarrow \text{cap}(F_1) \leq \text{cap}(F_2)$ (*Gauß' Trick!*)

$$\text{cap}(F_1) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mu_1(dx) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} p_2 \mu_1(dx) = \iint |x-y|^{2-n} \mu_2(dy) \mu_1(dx) = \int p_1 \mu_2(dy) \leq \text{cap}(F_2).$$

- (F_k) nested sequence with $\bigcap F_k = F$, then $\text{cap}(F_k) \rightarrow \text{cap}(F)$.
(smooth $\varphi = 1$ on F_1 , $\text{cap}(F) = \int \varphi \mu_F \leftarrow \int \varphi \mu_{F_k} = \text{cap}(F_k)$)

- $\text{cap}(A \cup B) \leq \text{cap}(A) + \text{cap}(B)$.
($p_{\cup} \leq p_A + p_B$ by WMP. Then use Gauß' trick.)

- $\text{cap}(A \cup B) + \text{cap}(A \cap B) \leq \text{cap}(A) + \text{cap}(B)$

- $\text{cap}(\overline{B(0, R)}) = \text{cap}(S(0, R)) = R^{n-2}$.

- *Screening:* nested spheres $A \subset B$. $\text{cap}(A \cup B) = \text{cap}(B)$ (think of the potentials)

- $\text{cap}(F) = \sup \{ \mu(F) : \text{supp}(\mu) \subset F, u_\mu(F) \leq 1 \}$ (Smooth approx F_k to F so that $p_{F_k} = 1$ on ∂F . Then Gauß' trick.)

- *Coulomb energy:*

$$E[\mu] = \frac{1}{2} \iint |x-y|^{2-n} \mu(dx) \mu(dy).$$

Mutual energy:

$$E[\mu, \nu] = \frac{1}{2} \iint |x-y|^{2-n} \mu(dx) \nu(dy).$$

- Properties:

- If $E[|\mu|] < \infty$, then pos.def.
- CSU
- $\mu \mapsto E[\mu]$ strictly convex

- *Gauß' principle:* $\mu \geq 0$ finite measure on F .

$$G[\mu] = E[\mu] - \mu(F) \geq -\frac{1}{2} \text{cap}(F)$$

Proof:

- $G(\mu)$ bounded below (F compact $\Rightarrow |x - y|$ bdd.)
 - Infimizing sequences are precompact (i.e. have bounded $\mu_k(F)$)
 - G is wsc (take infimizing sequence (μ_k) , use $\max(M, |x - y|)$ to cut off, $k \rightarrow \infty$, $M \rightarrow \infty$ (MCT), consider $E[\mu - \mu_k]$)
 - Minimizer is unique (strict convexity)
 - Minimizer is μ_F (Consider Euler-Lagrange Equation)
 - Evaluate minimum
- *Kelvin's principle:*

$$\frac{1}{2\text{cap}(F)} = \inf \{E[\mu]: \mu \geq 0, \text{supp}(\mu) \subset F, \mu(F) = 1\}.$$

Proof: Apply Gauß' principle to $t\mu$, choose $t = \text{cap}(F)$.

4 Heat Equation

- *Conservation of mass:* $\partial_t u + \text{div}(\mathbf{v}) = 0$
- *Fick's law:* $\mathbf{v} = -\alpha^2 \nabla u$.
- Together: $u_t = \Delta u$.
- Parabolic scaling invariance: $x \mapsto \lambda x$, $t \mapsto \lambda^2 t$.
- Use conservation of mass ($\partial_t \int u = 0$) to obtain the ansatz $u(x, t) = t^{-n/2} g(r t^{-1/2})$. Plug in heat equation to get the heat kernel

$$k(x, t) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{n/2}} e^{-|x|^2/4t}.$$

- Use

$$2 \int_{y>a} e^{-y^2} dy < 2 \int_{y>a} \frac{y}{a} e^{-y^2} = \frac{e^{-a^2}}{a}.$$

and in-boxing the ball to show

$$\int_{|x| \geq \delta} k(x, t) dx \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0.$$

- $u = k * f$ solves $u_t = \Delta u$ for $u \rightarrow f$ for $t \rightarrow 0$.
- *Tychonoff counterexample* for uniqueness:

$$u(x, t) = \sum_k g_k(t) x^{2k}$$

- *Widder's Theorem:* $u \geq 0 \Rightarrow$ uniqueness.
- *Heat ball:* $E(x, t, r) = \{k(x - y, t - r) \geq r^{-n}\}$.
- $V_T = U \times [0, T]$,
 $\partial_1 V_T =$ all except top "lid",
 $\partial_2 V_T =$ lid.

- *Mean Value Property:* $u \in C^2(V_T)$, $\partial_t u - \Delta u \leq 0$, $E(\dots) \subset V_T$:

$$u(x, t) \leq \frac{1}{4r^n} \iint_{E(x, t, r)} u(y, s) \frac{|x - y|^2}{(t - s)^2} dy ds$$

- Exists for heat spheres as well.

- *Converse:* Equality and $C^2(V_T)$ implies $\partial_t u = \Delta u$.

Proof: Let $\text{RHS} = \varphi(r)$. $\varphi(0) = u(x, t)$,

$$\varphi'(r) = -C \int (\partial_s u - \Delta u) \psi \, dy ds \geq 0$$

with $\{\psi \geq 0\} = E(\dots)$.

- *Strong Maximum Principle:* U open, bounded, connected, $u \in C(\bar{V}_T)$ and satisfies MVI. Then

$$\max_{\bar{V}_T} u \leq \max_{\partial_1 V_T} u.$$

If max attained at $(x, t) \in V_T$, then u is constant in \bar{V}_t .

Proof: If max attained in interior, then $u = M$ on heat ball. Then a polygonal path reaches every point on V_T .

- *Temperatures are analytic:*
- *Green's functions for the heat equation:*
- *Strong Converse of MVP.*

Proof: Construct parallel solution by Green's functions. Conclude uniqueness by MVP.

4.1 Difference Schemes and Probabilistic Interpretation

- Work on a lattice.
- *Strong Maximum Principle* (subharmonic \Rightarrow assume max M in interior $\Rightarrow M = u \leq E[x + h\omega] \leq M$.)
- Implies discrete Laplacian has trivial null-space $\Rightarrow \exists!$
- Allows *Discrete Poisson Integral Formula*. (by solving for δ on the boundary)
- *Markov property:* $E[X_{m+1} | X_1, \dots, X_m] = E[X_{m+1} | X_m]$.
- *(Super)Martingale property:* u subharmonic $\Rightarrow E[u(X_{m+1}) | X_m] \geq u(X_m)$ (just like discrete SMP) [with X_m a random walk]
- *Strong Martingale Property:* m may be a stopping time.
- If M_U is first passage time to ∂U , then $u = E[f(x + W_{M_U})]$. ($f = \text{BC}$, u harmonic)

$$E[f(x + W_{M_U})] = \sum_{y \in \partial U_h} H(x, y) f(y) = \sum_{y \in \partial U_h} \underbrace{P(\text{hit } y)}_H f(y).$$

- *Method of relaxation:*

$$u^{(l+1)}(x) = \text{avg}(u^{(l)} \text{ on pixels surrounding } x)$$

- *Brownian motion:* Same formula as above holds for continuous-time. (Central Limit Theorem, path space version of it, $W_t \sim k(x, t/2)$. Cylinder sets. Convergence in weak-* topology. Law of iterated logarithm. Proof of CLT: Convolution of densities becomes multiplication after Fourier transform. Use independence. Done.)
- *Feynman-Kac formula:* $u_t = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u$ with IC f .

$$E(f(x + W_t)) = u(x, t)$$

- Implications on boundary regularity:
 - u defined by F-K is the Perron function
 - $y \in \partial U$ is regular iff $P(T_y = 0) = 1$ (BM immediately exits U .)
 - Littlewood's crocodile
 - Lebesgue's thorn

4.2 Hearing the shape of a drum

- *Spectral measure:*

$$A(\lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{1}_{\lambda_k \leq \lambda}(\lambda).$$

- *Weyl's result:*

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A(\lambda)}{\lambda^{n/2}} = \frac{|U|}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \Gamma(n/2)}.$$

- *Kac's result:*

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} (2\pi t)^{n/2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda_k t} = (2\pi t)^{n/2} \int e^{-t\lambda} A(d\lambda) = |U|.$$

(Weyl \Rightarrow Kac: Integrate by parts, rescale. Proof of Kac: represent Green's function in terms of eigenfunctions somehow.)

5 Wave equation

- $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx}$
- *D'Alembert's formula:*

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[f(x+ct) + f(x-ct) + \frac{1}{c} \int_{x-ct}^{x+ct} g(y) dy \right].$$

- *Characteristics.*
- *Parallelogram identity:*

$$u(\text{top}) + u(\text{bottom}) = u(\text{left}) + u(\text{right}).$$

- Good/bad BCs, Inflow/outflow. Domain of dependence. Method of reflection. Odd/even extension.
- *D'Alembertian:* $\square u := u_{tt} - c^2 \Delta u = 0$. $u = f$, $u_t = g$.
- Fourier Analysis: $\hat{u}(\xi, t) = \hat{f}(\xi) \cos(c|\xi|t) + \hat{g}(\xi) \sin(c|\xi|t)/|\xi| = \hat{f}(\xi) \cos(c|\xi|t) + \hat{g}(\xi) \partial_t \cos(c|\xi|t)$:

$$u(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} k(x-y, t) g(y) dy + \partial_t \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} k(x-y, t) f(y) dy$$

Needs to coincide with solution formula.

- For $n = 3$, $k = t \cdot$ uniform measure on $\{|x| = ct\}$
- *Method of Spherical means:* Observe:

$$M_u(x, r) = \int_{S(x, r)} u(y) dS_y$$

satisfies *Darboux's Equation:*

$$\Delta_x M_u = \text{"}\Delta_r\text{"} M_u = \left(\partial_{rr} - \frac{n-1}{r} \partial_r \right) M_u.$$

Similarly, if u solves $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$, then M_u solves the *Euler-Poisson-Darboux equation:*

$$(M_u)_{tt} - \Delta_r M_u = 0.$$

In 3D, this reduces the wave equation to $\partial_t^2(r M_u) = \partial_r^2(r M_u)$, which we can solve by D'Alembert's formula for all x . Then

$$u = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{M_u}{r}.$$

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$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \int_{|y|=ct} e^{-i\xi \cdot y} dS_y = \frac{\sin(c|\xi|t)}{c|\xi|}.$$

- *Huygens' principle.*
- *Hadamard's method of descent:* Treat 2D equation as 3D equation, independent of third coordinate.
- *General solution for odd $n \geq 3$:* Assume $u'(0) = 0$. Define

$$v(x, t) := \int k(s, t)u(x, s)ds$$

as a temporal heat kernel average. Oddly, $\partial_t v = \Delta_x v$. Solve this. Rewrite using spherical means. Change variables as $\lambda = 1/4t$ and invert using the Laplace transform

$$h^\#(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda\varphi} h(\varphi) d\varphi.$$

- Uniqueness by energy norm.

6 Distributions/Fourier Transform

$U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ open

- $\mathcal{D}(U) := C_c^\infty(U)$. $\varphi_k \rightarrow \varphi$ iff
 - \exists fixed compact set F : $\text{supp}(\varphi_k) \subset F$
 - $\forall \alpha$: $\sup_F |\partial^\alpha \varphi_k - \partial^\alpha \varphi| \rightarrow 0$.
- *Distribution:* $\mathcal{D}'(U)$
 - Convergence: $L_k \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} L \Leftrightarrow \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(U): (L_k, \varphi) \rightarrow (L, \varphi)$.
- Examples: $L_{\text{loc}}^p \subset \mathcal{D}'(U)$. Aside: $L_{\text{loc}}^p \subset L_{\text{loc}}^q$ for $p \geq q$. (not for L^p), *Radon measure* (A Borel measure that is finite on compact sets.), δ function, Cauchy Principal value.
- *Derivative:* $(\partial^\alpha L, \varphi) = (-1)^{|\alpha|} (L, \partial^\alpha \varphi)$.
- Differentiation is continuous.
- *Partial differential operator:* $P = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} c_\alpha(x) \partial^\alpha$, adjoint, fundamental solution: $PK = \delta$.
- *Schwartz class:* $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\|\varphi\|_{\alpha, \beta} := \sup_x |x^\alpha \partial^\beta \varphi(x)| < \infty \quad \forall \alpha, \beta.$$

A polynormed, metrizable space (Use $\sum 2^{-k} \sum_{|\alpha|+|\beta|=k} \frac{\|\cdot\|_{\alpha, \beta}}{1 + \|\cdot\|_{\alpha, \beta}}$). Complete, too. (Arzelà-Ascoli).

- Examples:
 - $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{S}$ (convergence carries over, too.)
 - $\exp(-|x|^2) \in \mathcal{S}$, but not $\in \mathcal{D}$.
- *Fourier Transform:*

$$\hat{\varphi}(\xi) = \mathcal{F}\varphi(\xi) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-i\xi \cdot x} \varphi(x) dx$$

- Basic estimates:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\varphi}(\xi)\|_{L^\infty} &\leq C \|(1+|x|)^{n+1} \varphi(x)\|_{L^\infty} \leq C \|\varphi\|_{L^1} < \infty, \\ \|\partial_\xi^\beta \hat{\varphi}(\xi)\|_{L^\infty} &\leq C \|(1+|x|)^{n+1} x^\beta \varphi\|_{L^\infty} \\ \|\xi^\alpha \hat{\varphi}(\xi)\|_{L^\infty} &\leq C \|(1+|x|)^{n+1} \partial_x^\alpha \varphi\|_{L^\infty} \\ \|\hat{\varphi}\|_{\alpha, \beta} &\leq C \|(1+|x|)^{n+1} x^\beta \partial_x^\alpha \varphi\|_{L^\infty} \Rightarrow \hat{\varphi} \in C^\infty. \end{aligned}$$

- *Dilation:* $\sigma_\lambda \varphi(x) = \varphi(x/\lambda)$. $(\mathcal{F}\sigma_\lambda \varphi) = \lambda^n \sigma_{1/\lambda} \mathcal{F}\varphi$.

- *Translation:* $\tau_h\varphi(x) = \varphi(x - h)$. $(\mathcal{F}\tau_h\varphi) = e^{-ih \cdot \xi}\mathcal{F}\varphi$.
- *Inversion formula:*

$$\varphi(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{ix \cdot \xi} \hat{\varphi}(\xi) d\xi = \mathcal{F}^* \hat{\varphi} = \mathcal{F}\mathcal{R}\hat{\varphi},$$

where $\mathcal{R}\varphi(x) = \varphi(-x)$.

\mathcal{F} is an isomorphism of \mathcal{S} , with $\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}^* = \text{Id}$.

Proof: Prove $(\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}^* - \text{Id})e^{-|x|^2} = 0$, then for dilations and translations, linear comb. of which are dense in \mathcal{S} . \mathcal{F} is 1-1, \mathcal{F}^* is onto, but $\mathcal{F}^* = \mathcal{R}\mathcal{F}$.

- \mathcal{F} isometry of L^2 , \mathcal{F} continuous from L^p to L^q , where

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \quad p \in [1, 2].$$

In particular $p=1, q=\infty$.

Proof: Show \mathcal{S} dense in L^p (see below), extend \mathcal{F} , use Plancherel for L^2 .

- *Mollifier:* $\eta \in C_c^\infty, \int \eta = 1, \eta_N(x) := N^n \eta(Nx)$.
 - $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is dense in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$. ($1 \leq p < \infty$)
- Proof: $\|\eta_N * f - f\|_{L^p} \rightarrow 0$ holds for step functions. Step functions are dense in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$.
 $\|f * \eta_N\|_{L^p} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p}$ (Young's)
 Pick g a step function such that $\|f - g\|_{L^p} < \varepsilon$. Now measure

$$\|f * \eta_N - f\|_{L^p} = \|f * \eta_N - g * \eta_N + g * \eta_N - g + g - f\|_{L^p}.$$

- $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is dense in \mathcal{S} .
Proof: Smooth cutoff.
- *Plancherel's Theorem:* $(\mathcal{F}f, \mathcal{F}g)_{L^2} = (f, g)_{L^2}$.
Proof: by Fubini.
- $\mathcal{F}: L^1(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \dot{C}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, with $\dot{C} := \{h: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: h(x) \rightarrow 0(x \rightarrow \infty)\}$.
Proof: \mathcal{S} is dense in L^1 . Well-defined: Take $\varphi_k, \psi_k \rightarrow f \in L^1$, show $\mathcal{F}\varphi_k - \mathcal{F}\psi_k \rightarrow 0$ in L^∞ .
Goes to \dot{C} : **unproven**.
- *Linear operator of type* (r, s) :

$$\|K\varphi\|_{L^s} \leq C(r, s) \|\varphi\|_{L^r}.$$

\mathcal{F} is of type $(1, \infty)$ and $(2, 2)$.

- *Riesz-Thorin Convexity Theorem:* \mathcal{F} of type (r_0, s_0) and (r_1, s_1)

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{\theta}{r_0} + \frac{1-\theta}{r_1}$$

$$\frac{1}{s} = \frac{\theta}{s_0} + \frac{1-\theta}{s_1}$$

Then \mathcal{F} of type (r, s) for $\theta \in [0, 1]$.

6.1 Tempered Distributions

- *Tempered Distributions:* \mathcal{S}' , convergence as in \mathcal{D}' . $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{S}' \subset \mathcal{D}'$.
Examples: L^1 functions, $e^{|x|^2}$ not, $e^{-|x|^2}, \|(1+|x|^2)^{-M}f\|_{L^1} < \infty$.
- A tempered distribution is no worse than a certain derivative coupled with a monomial multiplication.
 $L \in \mathcal{S}' \Rightarrow \exists C, N \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{S}: |(L, \varphi)| \leq \sum_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N} \|x^\alpha \partial^\beta \varphi\|_{L^\infty}$ (continuity).
- $(\eta * L, \varphi) = (L, (\mathcal{R}\eta) * \varphi)$ for $L \in \mathcal{D}'$, \mathcal{R} is reflection and η a mollifier
- $\eta * L$ is a C^∞ function, namely $\gamma(x) = (L, \tau_x \mathcal{R}\eta)$, where $\tau_x f(y) = (y - x)$.

Proof: 1. γ maps to \mathbb{R} . 2. γ sequentially continuous. 3. $\gamma \in C^1$ (FD). 4. $\gamma \in C^\infty$ (induction). 5. $(\eta * L, \varphi) = (\gamma, \varphi)$ (Riemann sums).

- \mathcal{D} is dense in \mathcal{D}' .

Proof: $\chi_m := \mathbf{1}_{[-m, m]}$. Fix $L \in \mathcal{D}'$, $L_m := \chi_m(\eta_m * L) \in \mathcal{D} \rightarrow L$ in \mathcal{D}' .

- \mathcal{S} is dense in \mathcal{S}' .
(because \mathcal{D} is already dense in \mathcal{D}' .)
- *Transpose* $K^t: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ for $K: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ as by $(K^t L, \varphi) := (L, K\varphi)$.
- $K: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ linear and continuous. $K^t|_{\mathcal{S}}$ continuous. $\exists!$ unique, continuous extension of K^t onto \mathcal{S}' .
- $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{S}' \rightarrow \mathcal{S}'$ continuous.
- $\mathcal{F}\delta = 1/(2\pi)^{n/2}$.
- $0 < \beta < n$, $C_\beta = \Gamma((n - \beta)/2)$

$$\mathcal{F}(C_\beta |x|^{-\beta}) = C_{n-\beta} |x|^{-(n-\beta)}.$$

Use this to solve Laplace's equation.

7 Hyperbolic Equations

- General constant coefficient problem. $P(D, \tau) = \tau^m + \tau^{m-1}P_1(D) + \dots + P_m(D)$
- *Duhamel's principle*: Solve $P(D, \tau)u = f$ by solving the *standard problem* $P(D, \tau)u_s = 0$, $u_s(0) = 0$, $\partial_t^{m-1}u_s(0) = g$ and finding

$$u(x, t) = \int_0^t u_s ds.$$

- Treat remaining ICs by solving standard problems for $\tau^{m-1}P_1, \dots, \tau^0 P_m$, each time adding to the right hand side, which can finally be killed with the above approach.
- Fourier-transforms to $P(i\xi, \tau)\hat{u} = 0$, with $\tau = \partial_t$.
Initial conditions $\tau^{0 \dots m-2}\hat{u}(\xi, 0)$, $\tau^{m-1}\hat{u}(\xi, 0)$.
- Representation of the solution:

$$\begin{aligned} Z(\xi, t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{e^{i\lambda t}}{P(i\xi, i\lambda)} d\lambda \\ P(i\xi, \tau)Z &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma} P(i\xi, i\lambda) \frac{e^{i\lambda t}}{P(i\xi, i\lambda)} d\lambda = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma} e^{i\lambda t} d\lambda = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where Γ is a path around the roots.

- Classical solution requires $u \in C^m$. Requires $\forall T \exists C_T, N$:

$$|\tau^k Z(\xi, t)| \leq C_T (1 + |\xi|)^N.$$

- *Hyperbolicity*: A standard problem is *hyperbolic*: $\Leftrightarrow \exists a$ C^m solution for all $g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.
- *Gårding's Criterion*: It's hyperbolic iff $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}$: $P(i\xi, i\lambda) \neq 0$ for all ξ and $\text{Im } \lambda \leq -c$.
Proof: Estimate around in the above representation for Z .
- *Paley-Wiener Theorem*: $g \in L^1 \Rightarrow \hat{g}$ entire.

8 Conservation Laws

- $u_t + f(u)_x = 0$.

Why are they called conservation laws?

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int u = \int u_t = \int f(u)_x = f(b) - f(a) \rightarrow 0.$$

- *Inviscid Burgers' Equation:* $u_t + (u^2)_x = 0$.

- *Characteristics:* Assume $u = u(x(t), t)$,

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$$

Compare shape with

$$0 = u_x f'(u) + u_t,$$

obtain $dx/dt = f'(u)$.

- *Weak solution:* slap test function onto equation, integrate by parts.

- *Rankine-Hugoniot:*

$$\text{shock speed} = \frac{[[f(u)]]}{[[u]]}$$

Apply weak solution formula across a jump, consider normal geometrically to obtain speed.

- *Riemann problem:* Jump IC. \rightarrow non-uniqueness of the weak solution for jump up: rarefaction wave or shock with correct speed?

- *Hopf's treatment of Burger's Equation:*

- Add viscosity to get $u_t + (u^2/2)_x = \varepsilon u_{xx}$.
- Put U as an antiderivative of u .
- Gives Hamilton-Jacobi PDE $U_t + U_x^2/2 = \varepsilon U_{xx}$.
- Now try to rewrite that into a linear equation, by assuming $\psi = \psi(u)$. Yields ODE $C\psi'' + C\psi' = 0$, solution $\psi = \exp(-U/2\varepsilon)$.
- This gives the heat equation $\psi_t = \varepsilon \psi_{xx}$.
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$$u = 2\varepsilon \frac{\psi_x}{\psi} = \frac{\int \frac{x-y}{t} \exp(-G/2\varepsilon) dy}{\int \exp(-G/2\varepsilon) dy} = \frac{x}{t} - \frac{\langle y \rangle}{t} \rightarrow \frac{x}{t} - \frac{\text{argmin } G}{t}$$

with $G = (x - y)^2/2t + U_0$.

- $a_- = \inf \text{argmin } G$, $a_+ = \sup \text{argmin } G$.
- *Properties:* well-defined, increasing, $a_+(\leftarrow) \leq a_-(\rightarrow)$, a_- left-continuous, a_+ right-continuous, go to $\pm \infty$. Equal except for a countable set of shocks.

- *Hopf's theorem:*

$$\frac{x - a_+}{t} \leq \liminf_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} u^\varepsilon \leq \limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} u^\varepsilon \leq \frac{x - a_-}{t}$$

- $u_0 \in \text{BC}$ (bounded, continuous) $\Rightarrow u(\cdot, t) \in \text{BV}_{\text{loc}}$. **Globally BV?**

Proof: x, a_+, a_- are increasing \Rightarrow differences in BV_{loc} .

- Vanishing viscosity solutions are weak solutions.

Proof: Pass to vanishing viscosity under integral using DCT and boundedness.

- Cole-Hopf solutions produce rarefaction x/t for jump up, shock for jump down.

- More properties:

- $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} u^\varepsilon$ exists except for a countable set. $u = \lim u^\varepsilon \in \text{BV}_{\text{loc}}$ with left and right limits.
Proof: u is a difference of increasing functions.
- *Lax-Oleinik entropy condition:* $u(x_-, t) > u(x_+, t)$ at jumps.

“Characteristics never leave a shock.”

Proof: Travelling waves for Burgers with viscosity only exist for $u_- > u_+$.

- x a shock location:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{shock speed} &= \frac{[[f(u)]]}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(u_+ + u_-), \\ \text{shock speed} &= \frac{1}{2}(u(x_-, t) + u(x_+, t)) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{a_-}^{a_+} u_0(y) dy, \\ (a_+ - a_-) \text{shock speed} &= \int_{a_-}^{a_+} u_0(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

The last equation here is a momentum conservation equality.

Proof: $G(a^+) = G(a^-)$.

- *Entropy/entropy-flux pair:* $\Phi, \Psi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ smooth are an e/ef pair for $u_t + f(u)_x = 0$: $\Leftrightarrow \Phi$ convex, $\Phi' f' = \Psi'$. Then $\Phi(u)_t + \Psi(u)_x = 0$ for perfectly smooth solutions, otherwise $\Phi(u)_t + \Psi(u)_x \leq 0$ in the distributional sense, which means

$$\int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty \Phi(u)v_t + \Psi(u)v_x dx dt \geq 0.$$

for smooth non-negative v .

- By the vanishing viscosity method, we get an entropy solution.
Proof: Multiply the viscosity-added c.law by Φ' . Use chain rule on $\Phi(u^\varepsilon)_{xx}$. Use convexity of Φ to show one term involving φ'' non-negative. Multiply by a non-negative smooth function, let $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ to obtain entropy inequality.
- *Entropy solution:* u is an entropy solution of a c.law if u is a weak solution that satisfies the entropy condition for every e/ef pair.
- *Dissipation measure:*

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int (u^\varepsilon)^2 = -2\varepsilon \int (u_x^\varepsilon)^2.$$

Assuming a traveling wave solution of the form

$$u^\varepsilon = v\left(\frac{x - ct}{\varepsilon}\right),$$

we find

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int (u^\varepsilon)^2 = \frac{(u_- - u_+)^3}{6}.$$

- *Kružkov's Uniqueness Theorem:* L^∞ Entropy solutions u, v , S_t cuts of the event cone (given by max. speed $c^* = \max_{\text{range } u} |f'|$). Then for $t_1 < t_2$

$$\int_{S_{t_2}} |u - v| \leq \int_{S_{t_1}} |u - v|.$$

Proof: Doubling trick, clever choice of test functions.

Implies uniqueness.

9 Hamilton-Jacobi Equations

- $u_t + H(Du, x) = 0$.
- Example: Curve evolving with normal velocity: $u_t + \sqrt{1 + |D_x u|^2} = 0$.
- Non-Example: Motion by mean curvature $u_t = u_{xx} / (1 + u_x)^2$ (parabolic).
- Example: Substitute $U = \int u$ in conservation laws.

- PDE is infinitely-many-particle limit of Hamilton ODE

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \partial_p H(p, x) \\ \dot{p} &= -\partial_x H(p, x),\end{aligned}$$

which coincides with characteristic equation of PDE.

- Mechanics motivation:

- $L(q, x) = T - V$
- Lagrange's Equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q}.$$

Way to see this: If RHS = 0, then L symmetric in x , so LHS becomes conserved. (Noether's theorem.)

Equivalent to Hamilton's ODE (Proof: $H = \max_q (qp - L(x, q, t))$, where $q = q(x, p, t)$ is the solution of $p = \partial_q L(q)$).

- Action, given path $x(t)$:

$$S(x) = \int_0^t L(\dot{x}, x, t) dt$$

- Principle of least action: $\min S \Leftrightarrow$ Lagrange's Equation.
Proof: $u + \varepsilon v$, derivative by ε , the usual.
- Generalized momentum: $p = \partial_q L$. Assumed solvable for q .
- Hamiltonian: $H = T + V = p \cdot q - L = 2T - (T - V) = T + V$.
- Legendre transform: More general way of obtaining H . Assume $L(q)$ (dropping dependencies!) convex, $\lim_{|q| \rightarrow \infty} L(q)/|q| = \infty$. Then

$$H(p) = L^*(p) = \sup_q \{p \cdot q - L(q)\}.$$

Solved when $p = \partial_q L$, but in a more general sense.

Duality: Edge \leftrightarrow Corner. Subdifferentials.

- L convex $\Rightarrow L^{**} = L$.
Proof: Prove convexity and superlinearity of L^* . Use symmetry

$$H(p) + L(q) \geq p \cdot q$$

to prove two sides of the equality $H^* = L$.

- Hopf-Lax formula: g is IC

$$u(x, t) = \inf \left\{ \int L(\dot{x}) dx + g(y), x(0) = y, x(t) = x \right\} = \min \left\{ t L \left(\frac{x - y}{t} \right) + g(y) \right\}.$$

Proof: Inf bounded above by straight-line characteristic. Lower bound works by Jensen's inequality.

- Semigroup Property.
Proof: Always pick particular solutions, prove both sides of the inequality.
- u defined by Hopf-Lax is Lipschitz if g is Lipschitz.
Proof: Lipschitzicity for given t is immediate (pick good z). Transform problem to comparison with $t = 0$ by semigroup property. Temporal estimate is screwy, involves special choices in inf.
- u by Hopf-Lax is differentiable a.e. and satisfies the H-J PDE where it is.
Proof: Rademacher's Theorem. Prove $u_t + H(Du) \leq 0$ for forward in time by taking increments $\rightarrow 0$, using inequality with Legendre transform.

- Lipschitz+Differentiable solution a.e. is not sufficient for uniqueness. (45-degree angle trough vs. 90-degree trough)
- $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ *semiconcave* if

$$f(x+z) - 2f(x) + f(x-z) \leq C|z|^2$$

for some z .

$\Leftrightarrow f(z) - C/2|z|^2$ is concave.

\Leftrightarrow “can be forced into concavity by subtracting a parabola.”

$\Leftarrow C^2$ and bounded second derivatives implies semiconcavity.

- g semiconcave $\Rightarrow u$ semiconcave.
Clever choice of test locations in Hopf-Lax.

- $H: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ *uniformly convex*: \Leftrightarrow

$$\sum_{i,j} H_{p_i p_j} \xi_i \xi_j \geq j |\xi|^2.$$

- If H uniformly convex. Then u is semiconcave (indep. of initial data)
Proof: Taylor, mess about with Hopf-Lax.
- Now $H(p) \rightarrow H(p, x)$ nonconvex.
- *Vanishing Viscosity Method*: Use $u_t + H(Du, x) = \varepsilon \Delta u$. Locally uniform convergence follows from Arzelà-Ascoli.
- u is a *viscosity solution*: $\Leftrightarrow u = g$ on $\mathbb{R}^n \times \{t=0\}$, for each $v \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty))$
 $u - v$ has a local maximum at $(x_0, t_0) \Rightarrow v_t(x_0, t_0) + H(Dv(x_0, t_0)) \leq 0$ (and min $\rightarrow \geq$).
- If u is a *vanishing* viscosity solution, then it is a viscosity solution.
Proof: Convergence is locally uniform as $\varepsilon_j \rightarrow 0$. Thus for each fixed ball around a local strict maximum in $u - v$, a local maximum in $u^\varepsilon - v$ exists if ε is small enough. There, $v_x = u_x^\varepsilon$ and $v_t = u_t^\varepsilon$ and $-\Delta u^\varepsilon \geq -\Delta v$. $v_t + H(Dv) \leq 0$ follows. Generalize to non-strict maxima by adding parabolas.
- A classical solution of a H-J PDE is a viscosity solution.
Proof: Maximum of $u - v \Rightarrow$ derivatives are equal \Rightarrow PDE.
- *Touching by C^1 function*: u continuous. u differentiable at x_0 . Then $\exists v \in C^1: v(x_0) = u(x_0)$, $u - v$ has a strict local max.
- u viscosity solution $\Rightarrow u$ satisfies H-J wherever it is differentiable
Proof: Mollify touching function, $u - v^\varepsilon$ maintains strict max., verify definition of Viscosity solution. (Mollification necessary because test functions are required to be C^∞ .)
- *Uniqueness*: $H \in \text{Lip}_p(C) \cap \text{Lip}_x(C1 + |p|) \Rightarrow$ uniqueness.
Proof: doubling trick again.

10 Sobolev Spaces

$1 \leq p < \infty$.

- $\|u\|_{k,p;\Omega} = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq k} \|D^\alpha u\|_p$.
- $W^{k,p}(\Omega) := \{u \in \mathcal{D}'(\Omega): D^\alpha u \in L^p(\Omega), |\alpha| \leq k\}$ Banach space.
- $W_0^{k,p}(\Omega) := \text{cl}(\mathcal{D}(\Omega), \|\cdot\|_{k,p;\Omega})$.
- $u \in W^{l,p}(\Omega)$. $\Omega' \subset \subset \Omega$ open $\Rightarrow \exists u_k \in C_c^\infty(\Omega')$: $\|u_k - u\|_{l,p;\Omega'} \rightarrow 0$.
Proof: Mollification, throw derivatives onto u by integration by parts.
- $u \in W^{l,p}(\Omega)$, Ω bounded $\Rightarrow \exists u_k \in C^\infty(\Omega) \cap W^{l,p}(\Omega)$: $\|u_k - u\|_{l,p;\Omega} \rightarrow 0$.

Proof: Exhaust Ω by $U_k := \{\text{dist}(x, \partial\Omega) > 1/k\}$. Consider smooth partition of unity ζ_i subordinate to $V_i := \Omega_{i+3} \setminus \Omega_{i+1}$. $u_i := \eta_{\varepsilon_i} * (\zeta_i u)$ s.t. $\|u_i - \zeta_i u\|_{L^p} < \delta 2^{-i-1}$. Give one more set of wiggle room on each side for mollification. $v := \sum \zeta_i u_i \in C^\infty$ because there's only a finite number of terms for fixed point/set. Then estimate $\|u - v\|_{L^p}$.

- Typical idea: Consider

$$f^*(x) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{B(x,r)} f(y) dy.$$

- $u \in W^{1,p}(\Omega)$, $\Omega' \subset \subset \Omega$. Then
 - There exists a representative on Ω' that is absolutely continuous on a line and whose classical derivative agrees a.e. with the weak one.
 - If the above is true of a function, then $u \in W^{1,p}(\Omega)$.

Proof: WLOG $p=1$ (Jensen). WTF?

Consequences: $W^{1,p}$ closed wrt. max, min, abs. value, \cdot^+ . Ω connected, $Du=0 \Rightarrow u$ constant.

10.1 Campanato

- *Oscillation:*

$$\text{osc}_U = \sup_{x,y \in U} |u(x) - u(y)|.$$

- $C^{0,\alpha} := \{|u(x) - u(y)| \leq C|x - y|^\alpha\}$. $\|u\|_{C^{0,\alpha}} := \|u\|_{C(\bar{U})} + \sup_{x \neq y} |u(x) - u(y)|/|x - y|^\alpha$.
- $C^{k,\alpha} := D^\alpha \in C^{0,\alpha}$. Norm: sum over multi-indices.
- *Campanato's Inequality:* $u \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, $\exists M > 0$:

$$\int_B |u(x) - \bar{u}_B(x)| dx \leq M r^\alpha.$$

Then $u \in C^{0,\alpha}(\Omega)$ and $\text{osc}_{B(x,r/2)} u \leq C M r^\alpha$. \bar{u}_B is the mean over B .

Proof: x a Lebesgue point of u , $B(x, r/2) \subset B(z, r)$. Then $|\bar{u}_{B(x,r/2)} - \bar{u}_{B(z,r)}| \leq 2^n M r^\alpha$. Iteration via geometric series and Lebesgue-pointiness yields

$$|u(x) - \bar{u}_{B(z,r)}| \leq C(n, \alpha) M r^\alpha.$$

For two Lebesgue points,

$$|u(x) - u(y)| \leq |u(x) - \bar{u}_{B(z,r)}| + |\bar{u}_{B(z,r)} - u(y)| \leq C(n, \alpha) M r^\alpha.$$

10.2 Sobolev

- *Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev:* $u \in C^1_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $1 \leq p < n \Rightarrow$

$$\|u\|_{p^*} \leq C \|Du\|_p,$$

where

$$\frac{1}{p^*} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{p} \Rightarrow p^* > p.$$

- Considering what happens when you scale functions $u \rightarrow u_\lambda(x) := u(\lambda x)$, these exponents are the only ones possible.
- If we choose $p=1$, then the best constant comes to light by choosing $u = \mathbf{1}_{B(0,1)}$, giving the isoperimetric inequality.
- Proof: Suppose $p=1$ at first. Compact support \Rightarrow

$$u(x) \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |Du(x \dots x, y_i, x, \dots, x)| dy_i \quad (i=1, \dots, n).$$

Then

$$|u(x)|^{n/(n-1)} \leq \left(\prod_i \int \dots dy_i \right)^{1/(n-1)}.$$

Integrating this gives

$$\int |u|^{n/(n-1)} dx_1 \leq \left(\int |Du| dx_1 \right)^{1/(n-1)} \left(\prod_{i=2} \iint |Du| dx_1 dy_i \right)^{1/(n-1)}$$

by pulling out an independent part and using generalized Hölder. Then iterate the same trick. To obtain for general p , use on $v = |u|^\gamma$ with suitable γ .

10.3 Poincaré and Morrey

- *Riesz potential*: $0 < \alpha < n$

$$I_\alpha(x) = |x|^{\alpha-n} \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

- $\|I_1 * f\|_{L^p} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p}$.
- *Poincaré's Inequality*: Ω convex, $|\Omega| < \infty$, $d = \text{diam}(\Omega)$, $u \in W^{1,p}(\Omega)$. Then

$$\left(\int_\Omega |u(x) - \bar{u}_\Omega|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C d \left(\int_\Omega |Du|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

Proof: Use calculus to derive

$$|u(x) - \bar{u}| \leq \frac{d^n}{n} \int_\Omega \frac{|Du(y)|}{|x-y|^{n-1}} dy.$$

Then use potential estimate.

- *Morrey's Inequality*: $u \in W^{1,1}_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. If $\exists M > 0$ with

$$\int_{B(x,r)} |Du| \leq M r^{n-1+\alpha},$$

for all $B(x,r) \subset \Omega$. Then $u \in C^{0,\alpha}(\Omega)$ and $\text{osc}_{B(x,r)} u \leq C M r^\alpha$.

- Morrey=Poincaré+Campanato in $W^{1,1}$.
- *More general Morrey*: $u \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $n < p \leq \infty$. Then $u \in C^{0,1-n/p}_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and

$$\text{osc}_{B(x,r)} u \leq r^{1-n/p} \|Du\|_{L^p}.$$

If $p = \infty$, u is locally Lipschitz.

Proof: Use Jensen $(\cdot)^{p \cdot \frac{1}{p}}$ on Poincaré's RHS. Then apply Campanato.

10.4 BMO

- *BMO seminorm*:

$$[u]_{\text{BMO}} := \sup_B \int_B |u - \bar{u}_B| dx$$

- $\text{BMO} := \{[u]_{\text{BMO}} < \infty\}$.
- *John-Nirenberg*: $W^{1,n}(\mathbb{R}^n) \cap L^1(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset \text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.
Proof: Poincaré-then-Jensen.
- For a compact domain, $L^p \subset L^\infty \subset \text{BMO}$.

10.5 Imbeddings

- *Imbedding* $B_1 \rightarrow B_2$: \exists continuous, linear, injective map.

- $W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow L^{p^*}$ for $1 \leq p < n$ (Sobolev inequality)
- $W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \text{BMO}$ for $p = n$
- $W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow C_{\text{loc}}^{0,1-n/p}$ (Morrey)

Ω bounded now.

- $W^{1,p}(\Omega) \rightarrow L^q(\Omega)$ for $1 < p < n$ and $1 \leq q < p^*$. Proof: Hölder-then-Sobolev:

$$\|u\|_{L^q} \leq \|u\|_{L^{p^*}} |\Omega|^{1-q/p^*} \leq \|Du\|_{W^{1,p}}.$$

- $W_0^{1,p}(\Omega) \rightarrow C^{0,1-n/p}(\bar{\Omega})$ for $n < p \leq \infty$.
- *Compact imbedding* $B_1 \hookrightarrow B_2$: The image of every bounded set in B_1 is precompact in B_2 . (precompact: has compact closure)
- Rellich-Kondrachev:
 - $W^{1,p}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^q(\Omega)$ for $1 < p < n$ and $1 \leq q < p^*$.

In Evans, we need $\partial U \in C^1$. Our notes do not.

Proof:

- Grab a $W^{1,p}$ -bounded sequence u_m .
- Mollify it to u_m^ε
- Use an ε -derivative trick to show $\|u_m^\varepsilon - u_m\|_{L^1} \leq \varepsilon \|Du_m\|_{L^p} \rightarrow 0$
- Interpolation inequality for L^p : $\|u_m^\varepsilon - u_m\|_{L^q} \leq \|u_m^\varepsilon - u_m\|_{L^1}^\theta \|u_m^\varepsilon - u_m\|_{L^{p^*}}^{1-\theta} \rightarrow 0$, also using GNS.
- For fixed ε , u_m^ε is bounded and equicontinuous (directly mess with convolution).
- Use Arzelà-Ascoli and a diagonal argument to finish off.
- $W_0^{1,p}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow C^0(\bar{\Omega}) \subset L^p(\Omega)$ for $n < p \leq \infty$.
Proof: Morrey's Inequality, then Arzelà-Ascoli.

11 Scalar Elliptic Equations

- $Lu = \text{div}(A Du + bu) + c \cdot Du + du$.
- Motivation: Calculus of Variations.
- *Weak Formulation*: $u \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$, $v \in C_c^1(\Omega)$

$$B[u, v] := \int_{\Omega} (Dv^T A Du + b \cdot Dvu) - (c \cdot Du + du)v \, dx.$$

- *Generalized Dirichlet Problem*: $Lu = g + \text{div } f$ on Ω , $u = \varphi$ on $\partial\Omega$, i.e. $B[u, v] = F(v)$ with

$$F(v) := \int_{\Omega} Dv \cdot f - g v \, dx.$$

- Assumptions:

(E₁). *Strict ellipticity*: $\exists \lambda > 0: \xi^T A \xi \geq \lambda |\xi|^2$

(E₂). *Boundedness*: $A, b, c, d \in L^\infty$, i.e. $\|\text{Tr}(A^T A)\|_{L^\infty} \leq \Lambda^2$, $\frac{1}{\lambda^2}(\|b\|_\infty + \|c\|_\infty) + \frac{1}{\lambda}(\|d\|_\infty) \leq \nu$.

(E₃). $\text{div } b + d \leq 0$ weakly, i.e.

$$\int_{\Omega} dv - b \cdot Dv \, dx \leq 0$$

for $v \in C_c^1(\Omega)$, $v \geq 0$.

- “ \leq ” on the boundary: $u \leq v \Leftrightarrow (u - v) \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow (u - v)^+ \in W_0^{1,2}(\Omega)$.
- “sup” on the boundary: $\sup_{\partial\Omega} u = \inf \{k \in \mathbb{R} : u \leq k \text{ on } \partial\Omega\}$.
- u is a subsolution: $\Leftrightarrow B[u, v] \leq F(v) \Leftrightarrow Lu \geq g + \operatorname{div} f$.
- Non-divergence form:

$$0 = A D^2 U + b \cdot Du + d u$$

(Not equivalent!)

- Classical Maximum Principle: Holds if $d \leq 0$.
- Weak Maximum Principle: $Lu \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow B[u, v] \leq 0$ for $v \geq 0$ and (E_1) , (E_2) , (E_3) . Then $\sup_{\Omega} u \leq \sup_{\partial\Omega} u^+$.

Proof:

- Use $B[u, v] \leq 0$ for $v \geq 0$ and (E_3) to establish

$$\int Dv^T A Dv - (b + c) Du \cdot v \leq \int d(uv) - b \cdot D(uv) \leq 0.$$

Note that uv is the new test function in (E_3) . Consequently

$$\int Dv^T A Dv \leq \int (b + c) Du \cdot v.$$

- Suppose $l = \sup_{\partial\Omega} u \leq k < \sup_{\Omega} u$. Set $\Gamma := \{u > k\}$ and achieve a $\|Dv\|_{L^2} \leq C \|v\|_{L^2}$ estimate by using ellipticity, the above and boundedness. Use the Sobolev inequality to get $\|v\|_{L^{2^*}} \leq \dots \leq |\Gamma|^{1/n} \|v\|_{L^{2^*}}$, and so $|\Gamma| > 0$ independently of k . Let $k \rightarrow \sup_{\Omega} u$ to obtain a contradiction. (Note $\sup_{\Omega} u < \infty$ because $u \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$.)

Remarks:

- Implies uniqueness.
- No assumptions on boundedness, smoothness or connectedness of Ω .
- Implies uniqueness.

11.1 Existence Theory

- Existence: Ω bounded, (E_1) , (E_2) , (E_3) . Then $\exists!$ solution of the generalized Dirichlet problem.
 - Reduce BC to $H_0^{1,2}$ by subtracting arbitrary function and handling RHS.
 - Prove coercivity estimate

$$B[u, u] \geq \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_{\Omega} |Du|^2 dx - \lambda \nu^2 \int_{\Omega} |u|^2 dx.$$

(Uses: (E_1) , (E_2) , $2ab \leq \lambda a^2 + b^2/\lambda$.)

(In Evans, Poincaré enters here. How?)

(For Δ , Poincaré suffices to show coercivity.)

- Id: $W_0^{1,2} \rightarrow (W_0^{1,2})^*$ is compact.

$$\operatorname{Id} = \underbrace{(L^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^*)}_{\text{continuous}} \circ \underbrace{(\mathcal{H} \rightarrow L^2)}_{\text{compact}}.$$

- $L_{\sigma} := L - \sigma \operatorname{Id}$. ($L \approx \Delta$ has negative eigenvalues already. But they might be pushed upward by the first- and zeroth-order junk. So we might have to make them even more negative to succeed.)
- $\rightarrow B_{\sigma}[u, v] = B[u, v] + \sigma(u, v)_{L^2}$, coercivity is maintained.

- Lax-Milgram shows existence of inverse L_σ^{-1} for the not-so-bad operator L_σ .
- Start with $Lu = g + \operatorname{div} f$, introduce L_σ , multiply by L_σ^{-1} and see what happens.
- Weak maximum principle provides uniqueness for L , so that the Fredholm alternative provides existence when combined with Rellich.

11.2 Regularity

- Assumptions:
 - (R_1) : $(E_1), (E_2)$.
 - (R_2) : $f \in L^q(\Omega), g \in L^{q/2}, q > n$.
- $(R_1), Lu = g$. A, b Lipschitz. Then for $\Omega' \subset \subset \Omega$ we have

$$\|u\|_{W^{2,2}(\Omega')} \leq C \left(\|u\|_{W^{1,2}(\Omega)} + \|g\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \right).$$

Proof:

- Finite Differences.

11.3 Harnack Inequality Stuff

- *(Ladyzhenskaya/Uraltseva)*: $(R_1), (R_2)$. $u \in W^{1,2}$ a subsolution, $u \leq 0$ on $\partial\Omega$. Then:

$$\sup_{\Omega} u \leq C \left(\|u^+\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + k \right),$$

where

$$k = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left(\|f\|_{L^q} + \|g\|_{L^{q/2}} \right).$$

Proof:

◦

- *Local Boundedness*: $(R_1), (R_2)$. $u \in W^{1,2}$ a subsolution. Then:

$$\sup_{B(y,R)} u \leq C \left(R^{-n/p} \|u^+\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + k(R) \right),$$

where

$$k(R) = \frac{R^{1-n/q}}{\lambda} \left(\|f\|_{L^q} + R^{1-n/q} \|g\|_{L^{q/2}} \right).$$

- *Weak Harnack Inequality*: $(R_1), (R_2)$, $u \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$ a supersolution and $u \geq 0$ in $B(y, 4R) \subset \Omega$. Then

$$R^{-n/p} \|u\|_{L^p(B(2R))} \leq C \left(\inf_{y \in B(y,R)} u + k(R) \right).$$

- *Strong Harnack Inequality*: $(R_1), (R_2)$, $u \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$ a solution with $u \geq 0$. Then

$$\sup_{B(y,R)} u \leq C \left(\inf_{B(y,R)} u + k(R) \right).$$

- *Strong Maximum Principle*: $(R_1), (R_2), (E_3)$, Ω connected, $u \in W^{1,2}$ a subsolution $Lu \geq 0$. If

$$\sup_B u = \sup_{\Omega} u,$$

then $u = \text{const}$.

Proof: Weak Harnack shows $\{u = \sup_{\Omega} u\}$ is open. $\{u = \sup_{\Omega} u\}$ is relatively closed in Ω . Therefore $\{u = \sup_{\Omega} u\} = \Omega$.

Why is $L \text{const} = 0$?

How do we know the “relatively closed” part?

- *DeGiorgi/Nash*: $(R_1), (R_2), u \in W^{1,2}$ solution of $Lu = g + \operatorname{div} f$. Then f is locally Hölder and

$$\operatorname{osc}_{B(y,R)} u \leq C R^\alpha \left(R_0^{-\alpha} \sup_{B(y,R_0)} |u| + k \right)$$

if $0 < R \leq R_0$.

Proof:

◦

12 Calculus of Variations

Ω open, bounded.

- Idea: solution u , smooth variation φ , functional I . $\partial_\varepsilon I(u + \varepsilon\varphi)|_{\varepsilon=0} = 0$. Integrate by parts, φ was arbitrary \rightarrow PDE.
- $u: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ deformation, $Du: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $F: \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

$$I[u] = \int_{\Omega} F(Du(x), u) dx.$$

Looking for $\inf_{u \in \mathcal{A}} I[u]$, where $\mathcal{A} = W_0^{1,2}(\Omega)$.

- *Example: Dirichlet's Principle*: Ω open, bounded

$$I[u] = \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{2} |Du|^2 - gu \right) dx.$$

- Bounded below: $\varepsilon a^2 + b^2/\varepsilon$, Sobolev ($2^* > 2$), Hölder as $\|u\|_{L^2} \leq \|u\|_{L^{2^*}} |\Omega|^{1/n}$, gives

$$I[u] \geq c \|u\|_{W_0^{1,2}}^2 - \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \|g\|_{L^2}^2.$$

- Bounded above by $\|u\|_{W_0^{1,2}}^2 + \|g\|_{L^2}$.
- I wslc because F convex.
- strictly convex (unproven) \Rightarrow uniqueness.
- *Weak lower semicontinuity*: $u_k \rightharpoonup u \Rightarrow I[u] \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} I[u_k]$.
- F convex $\Rightarrow I$ wslc in $W_0^{1,p}(\Omega)$.

Proof: Use representation of convex F as limit of increasing sequence $\{F_N\}$ of piecewise affine functions. Implies $\int F_N(Du_k) \xrightarrow{k} \int F_N(Du)$ (weak convergence \heartsuit linear/affine functions). Then

$$\int F_N(Du) \stackrel{F_N \text{ incr.}}{\leq} \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int F(Du_k) = \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} I[u_k]$$

and MCT.

- *Jensen*: $F(w\text{-}*\lim g_k) \leq w\text{-}*\lim F(g_k)$.
- *Euler-Lagrange Equation*: Weak form obtained from $i(\tau) = I[u + \tau v]$, where $u = \operatorname{argmin} I[u]$ and looking at $i'(0) = 0$.

$$-\operatorname{div}(F_p(Du)) + F_u(Du, u) = 0.$$

Also $i''(0) \geq 0$.

- *Motivation for Convexity*: $\rho(s) = 0$ -1 sawtooth. $\rho' = 1$ a.e.. $v_\varepsilon(x) = \varepsilon \zeta(x) \rho(x \cdot \xi / \varepsilon)$.

$$\frac{\partial v_\varepsilon}{\partial x_i}(x) \approx \zeta(x) \rho'(x \cdot \xi / \varepsilon) \approx \zeta(x) \xi.$$

Consider $i''(0) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \xi^T D^2 F \xi \geq 0$ pops out.

- $m = 1 \Rightarrow$ (wslc \Leftrightarrow convexity).

Proof: “ \Leftarrow ”: shown above. “ \Rightarrow ”: 2^{nk} cube grid on $[0, 1]^n$, $v \in C_c^\infty$.

$$\begin{aligned} u_k(x) &= \frac{1}{2^k} v(2^k(x - \text{cell center})) + z \cdot x. \\ Du_k(x) &= Dv(2^k(x - \text{cell center})) + z. \end{aligned}$$

$u_k \rightarrow z \cdot x$, $Du_k \rightarrow Du$. Then

$$F(z) \stackrel{\text{wisc}}{\leq} \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_l \int_{Q_l} F(Du_k) = \int_{[0,1]^n} F(z + Dv)$$

Thus $I[u]$ has a minimum at the straight line, and for $i(\tau) = I[u + \tau v]$, $i'(0) = 0$, $i''(0) \geq 0$, convexity follows as above.

12.1 Quasiconvexity

$m \geq 2$, $\mathcal{A} = W^{1,p} \cap \{u = g\}_{\partial\Omega}$. $1 < p < \infty$. $F \in C^\infty$, $F(A) \geq c_1|A|^p - c_2$.

$$I[u] = \int_{\Omega} F(Du(x)) dx$$

- Sawtooth calculation yields *rank-one convexity*

$$(\eta \otimes \xi)^T D^2 F(P) (\eta \otimes \xi)$$

$\Leftrightarrow F(P + t(\eta \otimes \xi))$ convex in t .

- *Quasiconvexity*: F quasiconvex: $\Leftrightarrow \forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $v \in C_c^\infty([0, 1]^n, \mathbb{R}^m)$:

$$F(A) \leq \int_{[0,1]^n} F(A + Dv)$$

- If $|F(A)| \leq C(1 + |A|^p)$, then F QC $\Leftrightarrow I$ wisc.

- “ \Rightarrow ”: Subdivide domain into cubes,

$$\int_{\Omega} F(Du) \approx \int_{\Omega} F(\text{affine approx to } Du) \stackrel{\text{QC}}{\leq} \int_{\Omega} F(Du_k) + \text{errors.}$$

Use measure theory to keep concentrations (Dirac bumps?) of Du or Du_k away from cube boundaries. Mop up the error terms.

- “ \Leftarrow ”: cubes calculation above.

- *Polyconvex*: F is a convex function of minors of A .
- Convex \Rightarrow PC \Rightarrow QC \Rightarrow R1C (converse false).
Proof of PC \Rightarrow QC: PC \Rightarrow wisc (use convex \Rightarrow wisc argument for each minor). wisc \Rightarrow QC.
- $|DF(A)| \leq C(1 + |A|^{p-1})$.
Proof: Exploit growth estimate above, and QC \Rightarrow R1C. Use $f(t) = F(A + t(\eta \otimes \xi))$, which is convex \Rightarrow locally Lip \Rightarrow locally $|f'(0)| \leq \max |f|$.

12.2 Null Lagrangians, Determinants

- $F(Du)$ is a *null Lagrangian* if E-L

$$\text{div}(DF(Du)) = \partial x_j (\partial_{A_{i,j}} F(Du)) = 0$$

holds for every $u \in C^2$.

- F null Lagrangian. Then

$$u = \tilde{u} \text{ on } \partial\Omega \quad \Rightarrow \quad I[u] = I[\tilde{u}].$$

Proof: $i(\tau) := I[\tau u + (1 - \tau) \tilde{u}]$. $i'(\tau) = 0$ by E-L.

- *Cofactor matrix:*
 - $\text{cof}(A_{i,j}) = \det(A_{\setminus i, \setminus j})$.
 - $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} (\text{cof } A)^T$.
 - $\Rightarrow A^T \text{cof } A = \det A \cdot \text{Id}$
 - $\Rightarrow \partial_{A_{i,j}} \det(A) = (\text{cof } A)_{i,j}$
- $\det(Du)$ is a null Lagrangian, i.e.
 - $\text{div}(D \det(Du)) = \text{div}(\text{cof}(Du)) = 0$
 - Plug and chug if $\det(Du) \neq 0$, otherwise add εId .
- $u_k \rightharpoonup u$ in $W^{1,p}$, $n < p < \infty$. $\Rightarrow \det(Du_k) \rightharpoonup \det(Du)$ in $L^{p/n}$. (Morrey/Reshetnyak)
 - Reduce dimension of problem by one by reducing to “does the cofactor matrix converge”?
 - Use $\det(Du) = \text{div}\left(\frac{1}{n} \text{cof}(Du)^T u\right)$.
 - Morrey ($n < p!$) implies uniform boundedness in $C^{0,1-n/p}$, then use A-A to extract uniformly converging subsequence, settling the deal for the leftover u besides the cofactor matrix.
 - (also holds for $p = n$ if $\det(Du_k) \geq 0$ —no proof.)
- *No Retract Theorem:* $B = B(0, 1)$. There is no continuous map $u: \bar{B} \rightarrow \partial \bar{B}$ with $u(x) = x$ on ∂B . Proof: Suppose there is a retract w . By comparison with Id and identity on the boundary,

$$\int \det(Dw) = |B|.$$

OTOH, $|w|^2 = 1 \Rightarrow (Dw)^T w = 0 \Rightarrow \det(Dw) = 0$. Lose smoothness requirement by continuously extending by Id, mollifying and using $B(0, 2)$ then.

- *Brouwer's Fixed Point Theorem:* $u: \bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{B}$ continuous. $\exists x \in \bar{B}: u(x) = x$. Proof: Assume no fixed point. $w: B \rightarrow \partial B$ is the point on ∂B hit by the ray from $u(x)$ to x . w is a retract because w hits ∂B in x if $x \in \partial B$. w is continuous.
- *Degree of a map:* $u \in W^{1,1}$

$$\text{deg}(u) = \int_B \det(Du).$$

Definable for continuous functions by approximation. Is an integer.

13 Navier-Stokes Equations

G open, $\hat{G} := G \times (0, \infty)$ space-time.

- *Navier-Stokes Equations:*

$$Du/Dt = (\nu \Delta u - \nabla p) + f,$$

(*) is the material derivative $D*/Dt = \partial_t * + u \cdot \nabla *$.

- $\nu = 0 \Rightarrow$ Euler equation. $\nu \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ may as well assume $\nu = 1$.
- *Conservation of mass:* $\partial_t \rho + \text{div}(\rho u) = 0$. Assume $D\rho/Dt = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \cdot u = 0$.
- *Pressures in a smooth incompressible flow are superharmonic:* Take div of NSE.
- *Steady flows:* $u \cdot \nabla u + \nabla p = \nu \Delta u$.
- *Bernoulli's Theorem:* ideal ($\nu = 0$), steady flow $u \cdot \nabla u + \nabla p = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla(u^2/2 + p) = 0$

$\Rightarrow u^2/2 + p = \text{const}$ (still need conservation of mass $\nabla \cdot u = 0$)

- *Vorticity*: $\omega = \text{curl } u$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \omega + \nabla \times (u \cdot \nabla u) &= \Delta \omega, \\ \nabla \cdot u &= 0, \\ \nabla \times u &= \omega. \end{aligned}$$

In 2D, $\nabla \times (u \cdot \nabla u)$ becomes $u \cdot \nabla u$.

- *Helmholtz Projection*: $P = L^2$ -closure $\{\nabla \varphi: \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)\}$. P^\perp (note P closed!) is *divergence-free*. $L^2 = P \oplus P^\perp$

Example: Divergence-free field from sem. 1 final: (continuous) boundary-normal field matters, (discontinuous) tangential field does not.

- *Weak formulation*:
 - Take $a \in C_c^\infty(\hat{G}, \mathbb{R}^n)$ div-free, dot NSE with it,
 - i. by parts second term, popping the derivative onto a u -product, pull apart, one term is zero,
 - $\int a \cdot \nabla p = - \int (\text{div } a)p = 0$

gives

$$(W1) \quad - \int_{\hat{G}} \partial_t a \cdot u + \nabla a \cdot (u \otimes u) + \Delta a \cdot u \, dx \, dt = 0$$

$$(W2) \quad \int_{\hat{G}} \nabla \varphi \cdot u = 0 \quad (\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n))$$

(where $A \cdot B = \text{tr}(A^T B)$)

- $V := \|\cdot\|_V$ -closure $\{a \in C_c^\infty(\hat{G}, \mathbb{R}^n), \nabla \cdot a = 0\}$

$$\|a\|_V := \int_{\hat{G}} |a|^2 + |\nabla a|^2 \, dx \, dt.$$

- Space for ICs: $P_0 := P \cap L^2$ -closure $\{C_c^\infty\}$ to replicate $u = 0$ on ∂G .
- *Existence, Energy Inequality*: $u_0 \in P_0^\perp$. $\exists u \in V$:

- (W1), (W2)
- *continuous docking to IC*: $\|u(t, \cdot) - u_0\|_{L^2(G)} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow 0$,
- *energy equality*:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|u\|_{L^2} = 2 \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}.$$

Equivalently for $t > 0$,

$$\int_G |u(x, t)|^2 + \int_0^t \int_G |\nabla u(x, s)|^2 \, dx \, ds \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_G |u_0(x)|^2 \, dx.$$