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Lecture 16

Dirichlet Problem for Poisson eq.

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

If $\Delta v = f$, then $w = u - v$ satisfies

$$\begin{cases} \Delta w = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ w = g - v & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

We need $u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C^0(\bar{\Omega})$. Our candidate

$$u(x) = \int_{\Omega} E(x-y)f(y)dy$$

But $f \in C(\Omega)$ is not sufficient; $\exists u \notin C^1(\Omega)$ s.t $\Delta u \in C(\Omega)$. This leads to the notion of Holder continuous spaces. In particular, we will show that the integrability and boundedness of f can only guarantee a function $u \in C^1$ in the integral expression above. It will be established that a necessary condition for $u \in C^2$ which solves $\Delta u = f$ is that f must not only be continuous, but also Holder continuous. The uniqueness will of u , should it exist, will also depend on the boundary of Ω , as described in the discussion above.

Definition 1. Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $y \in \Omega$, $0 < \alpha < 1$. The function f is said to be Holder continuous at y with respect to exponent α if

$$\sup_{x \in \Omega} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|^\alpha} < \infty. \quad (2)$$

We write, $f \in C^{k,\alpha}(\Omega)$, where k denoted order of continuous differentiability.

We define a seminorm by

$$|f|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)} = \sup_{x,y \in \Omega} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|^\alpha}, \quad (3)$$

and we define a norm on $C^{k,\alpha}$ by

$$\|f\|_{C^{k,\alpha}(\Omega)} = \|f\|_{C^k(\Omega)} + |f|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)} \quad (4)$$

For convenience we will adopt the following notation:

$$\|f\|_{k,\alpha;\Omega} := \|f\|_{C^{k,\alpha}(\Omega)}$$

Note that if $f \in C^{0,\alpha}$ then we write $f \in C^\alpha$. Meanwhile if $f \in C^{k,0}$ then we write $f \in C^k$.

Newtonian Potential

Definition 2. For any integrable f on domain Ω we define the Newtonian potential of f as a function w defined by

$$w(x) = \int_{\Omega} E(x-y)f(y)dy, \quad (5)$$

where $E(x-y)$ defines the fundamental solution for the Laplacian.

Suppose f is defined to be the right hand side of the Laplace equation, then $w(x)$ would define the solution for $\Delta u = f$, ie $w := u$. By this definition, we may deduce information and estimates on derivatives of u by studying the behaviour of integral (5). These estimates will form basis for Schauder estimates and the extension of potential theory from the Laplace equation to general linear elliptic PDE's.

Theorem 1. Let f be bounded and integrable in Ω , and let w be the Newtonian potential of f . Then $w \in C^1(\overline{\Omega})$ and for any $x \in \Omega$,

$$\partial_i w(x) = \int_{\Omega} \partial_i E(x-y)f(y)dy, \quad i = 1, \dots, n. \quad (6)$$

Proof. Choose η such that $\eta \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$, $\eta \geq 0$, $\eta = 0$ on $[0, 1]$ $\eta = 1$ on $[2, \infty)$ and define $\eta_\epsilon(t) = \eta(\frac{t}{\epsilon})$, for some $\epsilon > 0$,

$$w_\epsilon(x) = \int_{\Omega} E(x-y)\eta_\epsilon(|x-y|)f(y)dy \quad (7)$$

is clearly in $C^1(\overline{\Omega})$. now,

$$|w_\epsilon(x) - w(x)| = \left| \int_{\Omega} E(x-y)[\eta_\epsilon(|x-y|) - 1]f(y)dy \right| \quad (8)$$

$$\leq \|f\|_\infty \int_{\Omega} |E(x-y)|[\eta_\epsilon(|x-y|) - 1]dy \quad (9)$$

$$(10)$$

note that $\eta_\epsilon(|x-y|) - 1 = \eta(\epsilon^{-1}|x-y|) - 1 = 0$ whenever $|x-y| \geq 2\epsilon$ so we have

$$= \|f\|_\infty \int_{|x-y| \leq 2\epsilon} |E(x-y)|dy$$

by change of variables $|x-y| = r$ we have

$$= \|f\|_\infty \int_0^{2\epsilon} \frac{C}{r^{n-2}} r^{n-1} dr \leq C\epsilon^2 \|f\|_\infty$$

Hence $w_\epsilon \rightarrow w$ uniformly in Ω . Constant C is a result of higher dimensional polar integration; $\int_{\mathbb{F}} \varphi d\phi$, φ being change of variables Jacobian determinant. Now let

$$v(x) = \int_{\Omega} \partial_i E(x-y)f(y)dy \quad (11)$$

We aim to assert the final statement. Naively, one may immediately attempt to employ Liebniz rule by differentiating under the integral, however $E(x-y)$ is not continuous nor bounded whenever $x-y=0$. This is essentially why we make use of $\eta_\epsilon(t)$ where we cut out that region for some $\epsilon > 0$. This then allows us to invoke Liebniz rule and showing that the result holds at the limits.

$$|\partial_i w_\epsilon(x) - v_i(x)| = \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \int_{\Omega} E(x-y) \eta_\epsilon(|x-y|) f(y) dy - \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial E(x-y)}{\partial x_i} f(y) dy \right| \quad (12)$$

$$= \left| \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial E(x-y)}{\partial x_i} \eta_\epsilon(|x-y|) f(y) dy + \int_{\Omega} E(x-y) \frac{\partial \eta_\epsilon(|x-y|)}{\partial x_i} \frac{x_i - y_i}{|x-y|} f(y) dy \right| \quad (13)$$

$$- \left| \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial E(x-y)}{\partial x_i} f(y) dy \right| \quad (14)$$

$$= \left| \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x_i} [\eta_\epsilon - 1] f(y) dy + \int_{\Omega} E_y \partial_i \eta_\epsilon(|x-y|) \frac{x_i - y_i}{|x-y|} f(y) dy \right| \quad (15)$$

$$\leq C \|f\|_{\infty} \int_0^{2\epsilon} \frac{r^{n-1}}{r^{n-1}} dr + \int_{\epsilon}^{2\epsilon} E_y \frac{x_i - y_i}{|x-y|} f(y) dy \quad (16)$$

$$\implies \partial_i w_\epsilon \rightarrow v_i \quad \text{uniformly}$$

□

A stronger result occurs should f be Holder continuous on Ω as well. In particular, the Newtonian potential becomes C^2 instead of C^1 by the conditions above.

Theorem 2. *Let f be bounded and locally Holder continuous with $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ in Ω , and let w be the Newtonian potential of f . Then $w \in C^2(\Omega)$, $\Delta w = f$ in Ω , and for any $x \in \Omega$*

$$\partial_i \partial_j w(x) = \int_{\Omega'} \partial_{ij} E(x-y) (f(y) - f(x)) dy - f(x) \int_{\partial \Omega'} \partial_i E(x-y) \nu_j(y) dS_y, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n. \quad (17)$$

where $\Omega' \supset \Omega$ for which the divergence theorem holds and f is extended to vanish outside Ω

Proof. The proof of regularity is similar to the previous theorem, however the crucial step is when we use Holder continuity. Define the RHS of (17) by $\mu(x)$ and set $v = \partial_i w$ so for $\epsilon > 0$ define

$$v_\epsilon(x) = \int_{\Omega} \partial_i E(x-y) \eta_\epsilon(|x-y|) f(y) dy \quad (18)$$

We can write the difference

$$|\mu(x) - \partial_j v_\epsilon(x)| = \left| \int_{|x-y| \leq 2\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left\{ [1 - \eta_\epsilon(|x-y|)] \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} E(x-y) \right\} (f(y) - f(x)) dy \right| \quad (19)$$

$$\text{Holder continuity implies } |f(x) - f(y)| \leq [f]_{\alpha; x} |x-y|^\alpha \quad (20)$$

$$\leq [f]_{\alpha; x} \int_{|x-y| \leq 2\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left\{ [1 - \eta_\epsilon(|x-y|)] \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} E(x-y) \right\} |x-y|^\alpha dy \quad (21)$$

To assert the solvability of $\Delta w = f$ we will set $\Omega' = B_R(x)$ where R is sufficiently large in (17) we have

$$\Delta w = \sum_i \int_{B_R(x)} \partial_i^2 E(x-y)(f(y) - f(x))dy - f(x) \int_{\partial B_R(x)} \partial_i E(x-y)\nu_i dS_y \quad (22)$$

$$= \int_{B_R(x)/B_\delta(x)} \underbrace{\Delta E(x-y)}_{=0} [f(y) - f(x)] \quad (23)$$

$$+ \underbrace{\int_{B_\delta(x)} \sum_i \partial_i^2 E(x-y)[f(y) - f(x)] - f(x)}_{\xrightarrow[\delta \rightarrow 0]{as} 0} \int_{\partial B_R(x)} \partial_\nu E_y dS_y \quad (24)$$

$$= -f(x) \int_{\partial B_R(x)} \partial_\nu E_y \quad (25)$$

$$\text{taking } \nu_i = -\frac{x_i - y_i}{|x - y|} \text{ we have,} \quad (26)$$

$$= \frac{f(x)}{|S^{n-1}|R^{n-1}} \int_{|x-y|=R} dS_y \quad (27)$$

$$= f(x) \quad (28)$$

□

Lemma 1. $u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ if $f \in C(\Omega) \cap L^\infty(\Omega)$. Moreover, $\|u\|_{C^1} \leq C\|f\|_\infty$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} u_\epsilon &\rightarrow u \\ \partial_i u_\epsilon &\rightarrow v_i \end{aligned}$$

$$u(x + he_i) - u(x) = u_\epsilon(x + he_i) - u_\epsilon(x) + o_\epsilon(1) \quad (29)$$

$$= h\partial_i u_\epsilon(x + h'e_i) + o_\epsilon(1) \quad (30)$$

$$= hv_i(x + h'e_i) + ho_\epsilon(1) + o_\epsilon(1) \quad (31)$$

$$= hv_i(x) + ho_\epsilon(1) + o_\epsilon(1) \quad (32)$$

$$(33)$$

□

$$v_{i,\epsilon}(x) = \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{\partial_i E(x-y)\eta_\epsilon(|x-y|)}_N f(y)dy$$

$v_{i,\epsilon} \rightarrow v_i$ uniformly.

$$\partial_i v_{i\epsilon}(x) = \int_B \partial_i N(f(y) - f(x)) dy + f(x) \int_B \partial_i N dy \quad F = Ne_i \rightarrow \operatorname{div} F = \frac{\partial N}{\partial y_i} = -\frac{\partial N}{\partial x_j} \quad (34)$$

$$= \int_B [f(y) - f(x)] \partial_i N + f(x) \int_{\partial B} \left(-\frac{\partial N}{\partial \nu} \right) \quad (35)$$

for B large enough (36)

$$= \int_B [f(y) - f(x)] \partial_i N - f(x) \int_{\partial B} v_j d_i E \quad (37)$$

$$v_{ij}(x) = \int_B d_j d_i E(x-y) [f(y) - f(x)] dy - \int_{\partial B} f(x) v_j \partial_i E(x-y) dy^{n-1}$$

$$\underbrace{\partial_i v_{i,\epsilon} - v_{ij}(x)}_w = \int_B [f(y) - f(x)] \underbrace{\partial_j [(\eta_\epsilon(|x-y|) - 1) \partial_i E(x-y)]}_A dy$$

$$A = \eta_\epsilon \frac{x_i - y_i}{|x-y|}$$

$$|A| \leq \frac{C}{\epsilon r^{n-1}} + \frac{C}{r^2}$$

suppose $|f(y) - f(x)| \leq w(|x-y|)$

$$|D| \leq \int_0^{2\epsilon} \frac{Cw(r)r^{n-1} dr}{\epsilon r^{n-1}} + \int_0^{2\epsilon} \frac{Cw(r)r^{n-1}}{r^n} dr$$

$$\leq \int \frac{Cw(r) dr}{\epsilon} + \int \frac{Cw(r)}{r} dr \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0.$$

Definition 3. $f \in C(\Omega)$ is called Dini continuous if $\forall K \subset \Omega$ compact, $\exists w : \mathbb{R}_o \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_o$ integrable s.t

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq w(|x-y|) \quad \forall x, y \in K$$

and that $\exists R > 0$, $\int_0^R w(r)r^{-1} dr < \infty$

Example Holder continuity $w(r) = r^\alpha$, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$.

Theorem 3. $u \in C^2(\Omega)$ if f is dini continuous in Ω

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Last time

Ω bounded domain, $f \in C(\bar{\Omega})$

$$u(x) = \int_{\Omega} E(x-y) f(y) dy \implies u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

If f is Dini in Ω , then

$$\partial_j \partial_i u(x) = \int_B [f(y) - f(x)] K(x-y) dy - f(x) \int_{\partial B} \nu_j \partial_i E(x-y) d^{n-1}y$$

$B \supseteq \Omega$, $K = \partial_j \partial_i E$, extend f by 0 outside of Ω . $u \in C^2(\Omega)$

Theorem 4. *If f is Dini in Ω , then $u \in C^2(\Omega) \cup C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\Delta u = f$ in Ω . In addition, if $f \in C^{0,\alpha}(B)$ and $\bar{\Omega} \subset B$, then*

$$\|u\|_{C^2} \leq C \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B)}.$$

Proof. We have

$$\Delta u(x) = \sum_i \partial_i \partial_i u(x) \tag{38}$$

$$= \int_{\partial B_R(x)} \left(\sum_i \underbrace{\partial_i \partial_i E(x-y)}_{=0} dy - f(x) \int_{\partial B_R(x)} \sum_i \nu_i \partial_i E(x-y) d^{n-1}y \right) \tag{39}$$

$$\partial_i E(x-y) = \frac{1}{|S^{n-1}|} \frac{x_i - y_i}{|x-y|^n} = -\frac{\nu_i}{|S^{n-1}| |x-y|^{n-1}}$$

where $-\nu_i = \frac{x_i - y_i}{|x-y|}$

$$I_2 = \int_{|x-y|=R} \frac{d^{n-1}}{|S^{n-1}| |x-y|^{n-1}} = -\frac{|S^{n-1}| R^{n-1}}{|S^{n-1}| R^{n-1}} = 1 \implies \Delta u(x) = f(x)$$

bound for :

$$|\partial_j \partial_i u(x)| \leq \int_B [f]_{\alpha,x} |x-y|^\alpha |x-y|^{-n} dy + |f(x)| C$$

$[f]_{\alpha,x} := \sup_{y \in B} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x-y|^\alpha}$ and $|f|_{C^\alpha(B)} = \sup_{x \in B} [f]_{\alpha,x}$ we have

$$\|f\|_{C^\alpha(B)} = \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B)} + |f|_{C^\alpha(B)}$$

□

Theorem 5. Ω bounded, $\partial\Omega$ regular everywhere, $f \in C(\bar{\Omega})$ Dini in Ω , $g \in C(\partial\Omega)$. Then $\exists! u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega})$ s.t

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

Proof.

$$v(x) = \int_\Omega E(x-y) f(y) dy \implies v \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

. Then solve

$$\begin{cases} \Delta w = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ w = g - v & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

$$\implies u = v + w \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega})$$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = \Delta v + \Delta w = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = v + (g - v) = g & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

□

Second Order Elliptic Equations

$$Lu = \sum_{ij} a_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j u + \sum_j b_j \partial_j u + b_0 u$$

$a_{ij}, b_k \in C(\bar{\Omega})$. $A = (a_{ij})$ is Symmetric Positive definite : $\lambda_1 |\xi|^2 \leq \xi^T A \xi \leq \lambda_n |\xi|^2$ where $\forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and λ_1 and λ_n positive constants. Uniformly elliptic.

Given the conditions above, at each $x_0 \in \Omega$, $\exists Q \in O(n)$ s.t

$$QA(x_0)Q^T = \Lambda \quad \text{diagonal}$$

$$\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n), \lambda_i > 0.$$

Method of Continuity

Theorem 6. X, Y Banach spaces, $A_0, A_1 : X \rightarrow Y$ bounded linear operators, $A_t = (1-t)A_0 + tA_1 : X \rightarrow Y$. Assume $\exists C > 0$ s.t

$$\|u\|_X \leq C \|A_t u\|_Y \quad \forall u \in X$$

A_0 is surjective $\implies A_1$ surjective.

Proof. Injectivity implies $A_t u = A_t v \implies \|u - v\|_X \leq 0 \implies u = v$, A_t injective. Assume A_t surjective. Let $s \in [0, 1]$. $A_s u = f$ given some arbitrary $f \in Y$. We want to use Banach fixed point theorem. That is, construct mapping $\phi : X \rightarrow X$ s.t $\phi u = u$.

$$A_t u = f - A_s u + A_t u = f + (t-s)(A_1 - A_0)u$$

$$u = A_t^{-1} f + (t-s)A_t^{-1}(A_1 - A_0)u =: \phi u$$

$$\|\phi(u-v)\|_X = \|(t-s)A_t^{-1}(A_1 - A_0)(u-v)\|_X \tag{40}$$

$$\leq \underbrace{|t-s| \|A_t^{-1}\| \|A_1 - A_0\|}_{\text{want} < 1} \|u-v\|_X \tag{41}$$

$$\tag{42}$$

sufficient condition:

$$|t-s| < \frac{1}{2} \|A_1 - A_0\|^{-1} \|A_t^{-1}\|^{-1}$$

$$\|A_t^{-1}\| = \sup_{f \in Y} \|A_t^{-1} f\|_X / \|f\|_Y \leq \sup_f C \|f\|_Y / \|f\|_Y = C$$

□

Schauder Estimates

We will use method of continuity with $X = C_o^{2,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega})$, $Y = C^{0,\alpha}(\Omega)$.

$$\begin{cases} Lu = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

idea: Localization, freezing coefficients, estimate the error $(L - A_0)u$, partition of unity :

$$\bigcup B_i \supseteq \Omega. \chi_i \in C^\infty, 1], \sum_i \chi_i = 1 \text{ in } \bar{\Omega}$$

$L \rightarrow A_0 = A(x_0)$ from var to constant coeff. We now estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_X &= \left\| \sum_i \chi_i u \right\|_X \leq \sum_i \|\chi_i u\|_X \leq C \sum_i \|A(x_i) \chi_i u\|_Y \\ &\leq C \sum_i \|L \chi_i u\|_Y + C \sum_i \|[A(x_i) - A] \chi_i u\|_Y + \|B \chi_i u\|_Y \\ &\leq C \sum_i \underbrace{\|\chi_i Lu\|_Y}_{\leq C \|Lu\|_Y} + \|(L \chi_i - \chi_i L)u\|_Y + \|[A(x_i) - A] \chi_i u\|_Y + \|B \chi_i u\|_Y \end{aligned}$$

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Motivation from Last time

$$L = \sum_{ij} a_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j + \sum_i b_i \partial_j + b_0$$

Assume $a_{ij}, b_k \in C^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$. $\exists \alpha > 0$ s.t $\alpha \xi^T \xi \leq \xi^T A \xi$, $\forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Aiming for

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}} \leq C \|[(1-t)\Delta + tL]u\|_{C^\alpha}$$

(continuity of operators)

$$A_t = (1-t)I + tA \implies \xi^T A_t \xi \geq (1-t)\xi^T \xi + t \alpha \xi^T \xi \geq \min(1, \alpha) \xi^T \xi.$$

sufficient is to show

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}} \leq C \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha}$$

with C mildly dependence on L . Recall

$$u(x) = \int_{\Omega} E(x-y) f(y) dy, \quad f \in C^\alpha(\bar{B}), \bar{\Omega} \subset B$$

$$\partial_i \partial_j u(x) = \int_{\Omega} [f(y) - f(x)] \partial_i \partial_j E(x-y) dy - f(x) \int_{\partial B} \nu_j \partial_i E(x-y) d^{n-1}y$$

and $u \in C(\Omega) \cap C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $\Delta u = f$ in Ω , $\|u\|_{C^2(\Omega)} \leq C \|f\|_{C^\beta(B)}$

$$\partial_i \partial_j u(x') - \partial_i \partial_j u(x) = f(x) \int_{\partial B} \nu_j \partial_i [E(x'-y) - E(x-y)] + [f(x') - f(x)] \int_{\partial B} \nu_i \partial_i E(x'-y) +$$

consider the midpoint between x and \bar{x} and take ball $\delta = |x - x'|$ $\bar{x} = \frac{x+x'}{2}$

$$+ \int_{B_\delta(\bar{x})} [f(y) - f(x)]K(x-y)dy + \quad (x \rightarrow \bar{x})$$

$\partial_i \partial_j E(x-y) =: K(x-y)$

$$+[f(x') - f(x)] \int_{B/B_\delta(\bar{x})} K(x-y)dy + \int_{B/B_\delta(\bar{x})} [f(y) - f(x')][K(x-y) - K(x'-y)]dy$$

$$\Omega = B_R(z), \quad B = B_{2R}(z)$$

we find bounds

$$|I_1| \leq |x' - x| \int_{\partial B} |\partial \partial_i E(x-y)| d^{n-1}y \leq \frac{|x-x'|}{R^n} |\partial B|$$

where R is the distance between $\partial\Omega$ and ∂B where $B \supset \Omega$ and $y \in \partial B$

$$\leq C \frac{|x-x'|}{R} \leq C' \delta^\alpha$$

$$|I_2| \leq C,$$

$$|I_3| \leq \int_{B_\delta(\bar{x})} [f]_{x,\alpha} |x-y|^{\alpha-n}$$

if y was outside ball then $|y-x| \geq C|y-\bar{x}|$

$$\leq C[f]_{x,\alpha} \int_{B_{3\delta/2}(x)} |x-y|^{\alpha-n}$$

$$\leq C[f]_{x,\alpha} \delta^\alpha$$

$$|I_4| \leq C[f]_{x',\alpha} \delta^\alpha$$

$$|I_5| \leq C + \int_{B_\delta(\bar{x})} \nu_j \underbrace{\partial_i E(x-y)}_{C\delta^{1-n}} d^{n-1}y \leq C$$

$$|I_6| \leq [f]_{x',\alpha} \int |y-x'|^\alpha |x-x'| |\partial K(\xi-y)| dy$$

$$\leq [f]_{x',\alpha} |x-x'| \int_{B/B_\delta(\bar{x})} \frac{|y-x'|^\alpha}{|\xi-y|^{n+1}} dy$$

$$C[f]_{x',\alpha} |x-x'| \int |y-\bar{x}|^{\alpha-n-1} dy$$

$$C[f]_{x',\alpha} \delta \int_\delta^\infty r^{\alpha-n-1} r^{n-1} dr$$

$$\leq C[f]_{x',\alpha} \delta \delta^{\alpha-1}$$

so

$$|\partial_{ij} u(x) - \partial_{ij} u(x')| \leq C(|f(x)|\delta^\alpha + [f]_{x,\alpha} \delta^\alpha + [f]_{x',\alpha} \delta^\alpha)$$

$$\implies |u|_{C^{2,\alpha}(\Omega)} \leq C \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B)}$$

up to boundary

Half annulus on upper half space.

$$\mathbb{R}_+^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | x_n > 0\}$$

$$B_r^+ = B_r \cap \mathbb{R}_+^n$$

$$B_1 = B_R, B_2 = B_{2R}$$

$$\Sigma = B_2 \cap \{x_n = 0\}$$

$$x \in \overline{B_1^+}$$

$$\partial_i \partial_j u(x) = \int_{B_2^+} [f(y) - f(x)] K(x-y) dy - f(x) \int_{\partial B_2^+} \nu_j \partial_i E(x-y) d^{n-1}y$$

ν_j has nonzero comp upwards on sigma so

$$j \neq n : \int_{\Sigma} \dots = 0$$

same as the interior case.

$$i \neq n : \text{by symmetry } \int \nu_j \partial_i = \int \nu_i \partial_j$$

$$i = j = n : \Delta u = f \implies \partial_n^2 u = f - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \partial_i^2 u$$

$$|\partial_n^2 u|_{C^\alpha(B_1^+)} \leq |f|_{C^\alpha(B_1^+)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} |\partial_i^2 u|_{C^\alpha(B_1^+)}$$

$$\leq C \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2^+)} \implies |u|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1^+)} \leq C \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2^+)}$$

Theorem 7. $u \in C^2(B_2) \cap C(\overline{B_2})$, $f \in C^\alpha(\overline{B_2})$, $\Delta u = f$ in B_2

$$\implies u \in C^{2,\alpha}(B_1) \text{ and } \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1)} \leq C(\|u\|_{C(B_2)} + \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2)})$$

Proof.

$$w = E * f \implies \Delta w = f \text{ in } B_2, v = u - w \implies \Delta v = 0 \text{ in } B_2.$$

$$\|w\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1)} \leq C \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2)}$$

$$\|v\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1)} \leq C \|v\|_{C(B_2)} \leq C \|u\|_{C(B_2)} + C \|w\|_{C(B_2)}$$

which $C \|w\|_{C(B_2)} \leq C \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2)}$ □

Lemma 2.

$$X \subset Y \subset Z,$$

Banach spaces that are continuously embedded :

$$\|u\|_Y \leq C_1 \|u\|_X \quad \|u\|_Z \leq C_2 \|u\|_Y$$

with X compactly embedded in Y :

$$\{u \in X | \|u\|_X \leq 1\} \text{ is compact in } Y$$

$$\implies \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists C(\epsilon) \geq 0 \text{ st}$$

$$\|u\|_Y \leq \epsilon \|u\|_X + C(\epsilon) \|u\|_Z \quad \forall u \in X$$

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Theorem 8. $u \in C^2(B_2) \cap C(\overline{B_2})$, $f \in C^\alpha(B_2)$, $\Delta u = f$ in B_2 ; $B_i := B_{iR}$

$$\implies u \in C^{2,\alpha}(B_1), \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1)} \leq C(\|u\|_{C(B_2)} + \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2)})$$

where C depends on R .

$$|u|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_R)} \leq C(R^{-2-\alpha}\|u\|_{C(B_{2R})} + R^{-\alpha}\|f\|_{C(B_{2R})} + \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_{2R})})$$

Analogy: dimensional transformation

$$x = R\tilde{x} \quad R\tilde{\Omega} = \Omega \quad \tilde{u}(\tilde{x}) = u(R\tilde{x})$$

$$|\tilde{u}|_{C^\alpha(\tilde{\Omega})} = \sup_{\tilde{\Omega}} = \frac{|u(R\tilde{x}) - u(R\tilde{y})|}{|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}|^\alpha} = \sup_{\Omega} \frac{|u(x) - u(y)|}{R^\alpha|x - y|^\alpha} = R^{+\alpha}|u|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |u|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_R)} &= R^{-2-\alpha}|\tilde{u}|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1)} \leq \text{Const} \cdot R^{-2-\alpha}(\|\tilde{u}\|_{C(B_2)} + R^2\|f\|_{C(B_2)} + R^2|f|_{C^\alpha(B_2)}) \\ &= \cdot R^{-2-\alpha}(\|u\|_{C(B_{2R})} + R^2\|f\|_{C(B_{2R})} + R^{2+\alpha}|f|_{C^\alpha(B_{2R})}) \end{aligned}$$

Observation:

$$x = \phi(\tilde{x}) \text{ coord transformation}$$

$$|\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}| \lesssim |\phi(\tilde{x}) - \phi(\tilde{y})| \lesssim |\tilde{x} - \tilde{y}| \implies |u|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)} \simeq |u|_{C^\alpha(\tilde{\Omega})}$$

$$X \simeq Y \implies X \lesssim Y \lesssim X$$

We proved for upper half annulus that $u = E * f$

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1^+)} \lesssim \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2^+)}$$

Theorem 9. $u \in C^2(B_2^+) \cap C(\overline{B_2^+})$, $f \in C^\alpha(B_2^+)$, $\Delta u = f$ in B_2^+ , $u = 0$ on Σ

$$\implies u \in C^{2,\alpha}(B_1^+) \text{ and } \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1^+)} \lesssim \|u\|_{C(B_2^+)} + \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2^+)}$$

Proof.

$$w(x) = \int_{B_2^+} E(x-y)f(y)dy - \int_{B_2^+} E(x-y^*)f(y)dy \quad y^* \text{ reflection about } \Sigma \text{ (base of upper half annulus)}$$

$$\implies \Delta w = f \text{ in } B_1^+, w = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma$$

$$v = u - w \implies \Delta v = 0 \text{ in } B_1^+, v = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma.$$

$$\|v\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1^+)} \lesssim \|v\|_{C(B_{-2})} \lesssim \underbrace{\|u\|_{C(B_2)} + \|w\|_{C(B_2)}}_{\leq \text{const} \|u\|_{C(B_2^+)}}$$

$$\text{take } f^*(y) = f(y^*) \text{ for } y \in B_2^- \quad f^*(y) = f(y) \text{ } y \in B_2^+ \cup \Sigma$$

$$w(x) = 2 \int_{B_2^+} E(x-y)f(y)dy - \int_{B_2} E(x-y)f^*(y)dy$$

$$\|f^*\|_{C(B_2)} \leq \|f\|_{C(B_2^+)}, \quad \|f^*\|_{C^\alpha(B_2)} \leq \|f\|_{C^\alpha(B_2^+)}$$

$$\frac{|f^*(x) - f^*(y)|}{|x-y|^\alpha} \leq \frac{|f(y) - f(x)|}{|x-y|^\alpha} \text{ for } x, y \in B_2^+ \quad \leq \frac{|f(x) - f(y^*)|}{|x-y^*|^\alpha} \text{ } x \in B_2^+, y \in B_2^-$$

□

Lemma 3. X compactly embedded in Y continuously embedded in Z Banach

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists C(\epsilon) > 0 \text{ s.t. } \|u\|_Y \leq \epsilon \|u\|_X + C(\epsilon) \|u\|_Z \quad \forall u \in C$$

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given. $\exists \{u_n\} \supset X$, $\|u_n\|_X = 1$, st $\|u_n\|_Y > \epsilon + n\|u_n\|_Z \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$u_n \rightarrow u \quad \text{in } Y, \quad \|u_n\|_Z < \frac{1}{n} \|u_n\|_Y \rightarrow 0 \implies \|u - u_n\|_Z \leq C \|u - u_n\|_Y \rightarrow 0 \implies u = 0 \text{ but}$$

$$\|u\|_Y \geq \|u_n\|_Y - \|u - u_n\|_Y > \epsilon - \|u - u_n\|_Y \text{ contradiction.}$$

□

$$|uv(x) - uv(y)| \leq |u(x)v(x) - u(y)v(y)| + |u(y)v(x) - u(y)v(y)| \leq |u|_{C^\alpha} |x-y|^\alpha |v(x)| + |u(y)| |v|_{C^0} |x-y|^\alpha$$

$$\implies |uv|_{C^\alpha} \leq |u|_{C^\alpha} |v|_{C^0} + |u|_{C^0} |v|_{C^\alpha}$$

Global Schauder Estimates

$$L = \sum a_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j + \sum b_i \partial_i + b_0, \quad a_{ij}, b_k \in C^\alpha(\Omega).$$

$$A + B$$

Let $y \in \Omega$ interior. $A_y = \sum a_{ij}(y) \partial_i \partial_j$. $r > 0$ is such that $B_{2r} \subset \Omega$

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1)} \lesssim r^{-2} \|u\|_{C(B_2)} + r^{-\alpha} \|A_y u\|_{C(B_2)} + \|A_y u\|_{C^\alpha(B_2)}$$

$$\|A_y u\|_{C(B_2)} \leq \|Lu\|_{C(B_2)} + \|(A_y - A)u\|_{C(B_2)} + \|Bu\|_{C(B_2)}$$

$$\|Bu\|_C \lesssim \|b_i \partial_i u\|_C \lesssim \|b\|_C \|u\|_{C^1}$$

$$\|(A_y - A)u\|_{C(B_2)} \lesssim \|(a_{ij}(y) - a_{ij}) \partial^2 u\|_{C(B_2)} \lesssim \|a_{ij}\|_C \|u\|_{C^2(B_2)}$$

$$a_{ij}(y) - a_{ij} \lesssim r^\alpha \|a_{ij}\|_{C^\alpha}$$

$$\|A_y u\|_{C^\alpha(B_2)} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(B_2)} + \|(A_y - A)u\|_{C^\alpha} + \|Bu\|_{C^\alpha}$$

$$\|Bu\|_{C^\alpha} \leq \|b_k\|_{C^\alpha} \|u\|_{C^{1,\alpha}}$$

$$\|(A_y - A)u\|_{C^\alpha} \lesssim \|a_{ij}(y) - a_{ij}\|_{C^\alpha} \|u\|_{C^2} + \|a_{ij}(y) - a_{ij}\|_C \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}} \lesssim \|u\|_{C^2} + r^\alpha \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_2)}$$

choose r small enough, $u \in C_0^{2,\alpha}(B_1) \implies$

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha} + \|u\|_{C^2}$$

$$\|u\|_{C^2} \leq \epsilon \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}} + C(\epsilon) \|u\|_{C^0}$$

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$$L = \sum a_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j + \sum b_i \partial_i + b_0 \quad a_{ij}, b_k \in C^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$$

Theorem 10. $y \in \Omega \exists r > 0$ small such that

$$\|u\|_{C_o^{2,\alpha}(B_r(y))} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(B_r(y))} + \|u\|_{C^2(B_r(y))}$$

for all $u \in C_o^{2,\alpha}(B_1^+)$.

Lemma 4.

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_1^+)} \lesssim \|\Delta u\|_{C^\alpha(B_2^+)} + \|u\|_{C(B_2^+)}$$

$u \in C^{2,\alpha}(B_2^+) \cap C(\bar{B}_2^+)$, $u = 0$ on Σ . : upper half annuli with base Σ

Definition 4. we say $\partial\Omega \in C^{k,\alpha}$ is $\forall u \in \partial\Omega \exists U_y$ nbhd of y and $\exists \phi : U_y \rightarrow B_1$ s.t $\phi \in C^{2,\alpha}(U_y)$, $\exists \phi^{-1} : B_1 \rightarrow U_y$, $\phi^{-1} \in C^{2,\alpha}(B_1)$ and $\phi(U_y \cap \Omega) = B_1^+$, $\phi(U_y \cap \partial\Omega) = \partial B - 1^+ \setminus \partial B_1$.

Theorem 11. $\partial\Omega \in C^{2,\alpha}$, $y \in \partial\Omega \exists U$ nbhd of y such that

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(U^+)} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(U^+)} + \|u\|_{C^2(U^+)}$$

$U^+ = U \cap \Omega \forall u \in C_o^{2,\alpha}(U)$, $u = 0$ on $U \cap \partial\Omega$

Proof. By definition, $\exists \phi : U_y \rightarrow B_1$; $U_r = \phi^{-1}(B_r)$ ($r < 1$)

$$u \in C_o^{2,\alpha}(U_r), \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(U_r^+)} \lesssim \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(B_r^+)} \lesssim \|u\|_{C(B_r^+)} + |A_y u|_{C^\alpha(B_r^+)} + r^{-\alpha} \|A_y u\|_{C(B_r^+)}$$

→for $r > 0$ sufficnetly small

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(U_r^+)} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(U_r^+)} + \|u\|_{C^2(U_r^+)}$$

□

Theorem 12 (Schauder 1934). $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ bdd domain, $\partial\Omega \in C^{2,\alpha}$, $\exists C > 0$ s.t

$$\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(\Omega)} \leq C(\|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)} + \|u\|_{C(\Omega)}) \quad \forall u \in C^{2,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega}) \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

Proof. $\forall y \in \bar{\Omega}$ let U_y be nbhd of y s.t local estimates holds $\{U_y\}$ open cover of $\bar{\Omega}$. choose a finite subcover $\{U_i\}$. we have $\{\chi_i\}$ (partion of unitiy) subordinate to $\{U_i\}$

$$\chi_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow [0, 1] \quad \chi_i \in C_o^\infty(U_i) \quad \sum \chi_i \quad \text{on } \bar{\Omega}$$

$U_i^+ = U_i$

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(\Omega)} &= \left\| \sum \chi_i u \right\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(\Omega)} \leq \sum \|\chi_i u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(U_i^+)} + \|\chi_i u\|_{C^2(U_i^+)} \\ &\lesssim \sum (\|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(U_i^+)} + \|u\|_{C^2(U_i^+)}) \lesssim \sum_i (\|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)} + \|u\|_{C^2(\Omega)}) \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)} + \|u\|_{C^2(\Omega)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|\chi_i u\|_{C^2(U_i^+)} \lesssim \|u\|_{C^2(U_i^+)} \\
& L\chi_i u = \chi_i Lu + (L\chi_i - \chi_i L)u \text{ (first order)} \\
& \|L\chi_i u\|_{C^\alpha} \lesssim \|\chi_i Lu\|_{C^\alpha} + \|u\|_{C^{1,\alpha}} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha} \\
& \implies \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(\Omega)} \leq C(\|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)} + \|u\|_{C^2(\Omega)}) \\
& \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(\Omega)} \leq \epsilon \|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}} + C(\epsilon) \|u\|_C
\end{aligned}$$

□

for method of continuity we need $\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha}$. In general the extra term $\|u\|_C$ is unavoidable because for example

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u + ku = 0 \\ u = 0 \end{cases}$$

has non trivial solution.

Maximum principal:

$$\begin{aligned}
b_0 \quad Lu \geq 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega}) \\
\implies \sup_{\Omega} u \leq \sup_{\partial\Omega} u
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. $Lu > 0$ in Ω . $\Omega \ni y$ s.t $u(y) = \sup_{\Omega} u$ hence $Lu \leq 0$ ($\Delta u \leq 0$). Define $u_\epsilon = u + \epsilon e^{\lambda x}$

□

Corollary 1. $b_0 \leq 0 \quad Lu \geq 0 \implies u \leq \max\{0, \sup_{\partial\Omega} u\}$

Proof. $\Omega^+ = \{x \in \Omega : u(x) > 0\}$

$$L_o u = \sum a_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j u + \sum b_i \partial_i u \geq -b_0 u \geq 0$$

in Ω^+

$$\implies \sup_{\Omega^+} u \leq \sup_{\partial\Omega^+} u \leq \max\{0, \sup_{\partial\Omega} u\}$$

□

Corollary 2. $b_0 \leq 0, Lu = f \implies |u| \leq \sup_{\partial\Omega} |u| + C\|f\|_\infty$.

Proof. Choose $\lambda > 0$ such that

$$\underbrace{L_0 e^{\lambda x_1}}_{a_{11}\lambda e^{\lambda x_1} + b\lambda e^{\lambda x_1}} \geq \gamma e^{\lambda x_1} \geq \gamma$$

for some $\gamma > 0$. Let

$$v(x) = \sup_{\partial\Omega} |u| + \frac{e^{\lambda d} - e^{\lambda x_1}}{\gamma} \|f\|_\infty$$

$$Lv \leq L_0 v \leq -\|f\|_\infty$$

$$L(u+v) \leq f - \|f\|_\infty \leq 0 \quad u+v \geq 0 \quad \text{on } \Omega$$

$$L(-u+v) \leq -f - \|f\|_\infty \leq 0 \quad -u+v \geq 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

$$\implies |u| \leq v = \sup_{\partial\Omega} |u| + C\|f\|_\infty.$$

□

If $b_0 \leq 0$: $\|u\|_{C^{2,\alpha}(\Omega)} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)}$

Theorem 13 (Schauder). $b_0 \leq 0$, $\partial\Omega \in C^{2,\alpha}$, $f \in C^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$. Then there exists unique $u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega})$ such that

$$\begin{cases} Lu = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

moreover, $u \in C^{2,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega})$ and $\|u\|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)} \lesssim \|f\|_{C^\alpha(\Omega)}$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \{u \in C^{2,\alpha}(\Omega) \mid u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega\} \\ & \quad y \in C^\alpha(\Omega) \end{aligned}$$

□

Lecture 21

$$L = \sum a_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j + \sum b_i \partial_i + b_0$$

where $\{a_{ij}\}_{ij}$ symmetric positive matrix.

Theorem 14 (Schauder Regularity Thm). Let $a_{ij}, b_k \in C^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$, $\partial\Omega \in C^{2,\alpha}$, $f \in C^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$, $b_0 \leq 0$.

$$\implies \exists! u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega}) \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\begin{cases} Lu = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

In addition, $\|u\|_{2,\alpha;\Omega} \lesssim \|f\|_{\alpha;\Omega}$

Implicitly assume:

Theorem 15 (Kellogg). $\partial\Omega \in C^{2,\alpha}$, $f \in C^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$, $u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega})$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{cases} \Delta u = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases} \\ & \implies u \in C^{2,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega}) \end{aligned}$$

sketch. Strategy:- first prove for balls then apply Schauder regularity theorem for balls. □

Inhomogeneous Dirichlet Boundary Condition

Definition 5. We say $g \in C^{2,\alpha}(\partial\Omega)$ if $\exists v \in C^{2,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega})$ s.t

$$v|_{\partial\Omega} = g \quad \text{and} \quad \|g\|_{2,\alpha;\partial\Omega} := \{\|v\|_{2,\alpha;\Omega} : v|_{\partial\Omega} = g\} \quad (43)$$

Corollary 3. $f \in C^\alpha(\bar{\Omega})$, $g \in C^{2,\alpha}(\partial\Omega) \implies \exists! u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega})$ s.t

$$\begin{cases} Lu = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \|u\|_{2,\alpha;\Omega} \lesssim \|f\|_{\alpha;\Omega} + \|g\|_{2,\alpha;\Omega}$$

Proof. Let $v \in C^{2,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega})$ s.t $v|_{\partial\Omega} = g$, $\|v\|_{2,\alpha} \leq 2\|g\|_{2,\alpha}$

$$\begin{cases} Lw = f - Lv & \text{in } \Omega \\ w = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \|w\|_{2,\alpha} \lesssim \|f\|_{\alpha} + \|v\|_{2,\alpha}$$

$u = v + w$

$$\|u\|_{2,\alpha} \leq \|v\|_{2,\alpha} + \|w\|_{2,\alpha}$$

□

Meaning:

$$F(u) = (Lu, u|_{\partial\Omega}), \quad F : C^{2,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega}) \rightarrow C^{\alpha}(\bar{\Omega}) \times C^{2,\alpha}(\partial\Omega)$$

$$\|F^{-1}\| \leq 1$$

Elliptic Estimates in Holder Spaces

$\partial\Omega \in C^{k+2,\alpha}$, $a_{ij}, b_k \in C^{k,\alpha}$, \implies

$$\|u\|_{k+2,\alpha} \lesssim \|Lu\|_{k,\alpha} + \|u\|_k$$

Proof. For $L = \Delta$, $k = 1$

$$\|\partial u\|_{2,\alpha} \lesssim \|\Delta \partial u\|_{\alpha} + \|\partial u\|_C \lesssim \|\Delta u\|_{1,\alpha} + \|u\|_1$$

□

Elliptic Regularity in Holder spaces

$\partial\Omega \in C^{k+2,\alpha}$, $a_{ij}, b_k, f \in C^{k,\alpha}$, $g \in C^{k+2,\alpha}(\partial\Omega)$, $u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega})$

$$\begin{cases} Lu = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases} \implies u \in C^{k+2}(\bar{\Omega}).$$

Proof. For $L = \Delta + Id$, $k = 1$: if $v = \partial_i u \in C^2$, it should satisfy

$$\begin{cases} \Delta v = \partial_i f - \partial_i u & \in \Omega \\ v = \partial_i g & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases} \quad (44)$$

solving for v , we get $v \in C^{2,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega})$. Let $\delta_h u$ be finite difference approximation of $\partial_i u$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_h u(x) &= \frac{u(x + he_i) - u(x)}{h} \\ \Delta \delta_h u &= \delta_h f - \delta_h u \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

Subtract (45) from (44)

$$\begin{cases} \Delta(v - \delta_h u) = \partial_i f - \delta_h f + \delta_h u - \partial_i u & \text{in } \Omega \\ v - \delta_h u = \partial_i g - \delta_h u & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

$$\|v - \delta_h u\|_{\infty} \lesssim \|\partial_i f - \delta_h f\|_{\infty} + \|\partial_i g - \delta_h u\|_{\infty} \rightarrow 0.$$

□

Meaning: solution is as regular as the data allows. In particular, if everything is smooth, then solution is smooth. E.g

$$\begin{cases} Lu - \lambda u = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

and L is C^∞ , $\partial\Omega \in C^\infty \implies u \in C^\infty$.

Interior Regularity

$a_{ij}, b_k, f \in C^{k,\alpha}$, $u \in C^2$. $Lu = f$ in $\overline{B_{3r}} \subset \Omega \implies u \in C^{k+2,\alpha}(B_r)$.

Proof.

$$\begin{cases} \Delta v = \partial_i f - \partial_i u & \text{in } B_{2r} \\ v = \partial_i u & \text{on } \partial B_{2r} \end{cases} \implies v \in C^{3,\alpha}(\overline{B_r}).$$

$\Delta \delta_h u = \delta_h f - \delta_h u$ in B_{2r}

$$\implies \|u - \delta_h u\|_\infty \lesssim \|\partial_i f - \delta_h f\|_\infty + \|\partial_i u - \delta_h u\|_\infty + \|\partial_i u - \delta_h u\|_{C(\partial\Omega)}.$$

□

Case $b_0 > 0$: In general, L is not invertible with homogeneous B.C, but $L - \lambda Id$ is invertible for sufficiently large $\lambda_0 > 0$. $\lambda - \kappa_\lambda = (L - \lambda Id)^{-1}$ is called the Resolvent of L . When it exists,

$$\kappa_\lambda : C^\alpha(\overline{\Omega}) \rightarrow C^{2,\alpha}(\overline{\Omega}) \subset C^\alpha(\overline{\Omega})$$

so $\kappa_\lambda : C^\alpha \rightarrow C^\alpha$ is compact.

$$(L - \lambda)u = f - \lambda u \Leftrightarrow u = \kappa_\lambda f - \lambda \kappa_\lambda u \Leftrightarrow (Id - \lambda \kappa_\lambda)u = \kappa_\lambda f$$

Lecture 22

$F = Id + \lambda \kappa_\lambda$ is Fredholm ie. $k = \dim \ker(F) < \infty$ $r = \text{codim range}(F) < \infty$.

Theorem 16. $f \in \text{Range } F$ if and only if $\langle f, v \rangle = 0$ for all $v \in \text{Ker } F^*$. Index $F = k - r$

Direct Fredholm approximation:

Theorem 17. $X \subset\subset Y$, $A : X \rightarrow Y$ bounded linear, $\exists c > 0$ such that

$$\|X\|_X \leq C(\|Ax\|_Y + \|X\|_Y) \quad \forall x \in X.$$

$\implies \dim \ker A < \infty$ range of A is closed.

$$Au = (Lu, \partial_\nu u)$$

$$A : C^{2,\alpha}(\overline{\Omega}) \rightarrow C^\alpha(\overline{\Omega}) \times C^{1,\alpha}(\partial\Omega)$$

$$\|u\|_{2,\alpha} \approx \|Lu\|_\alpha + \|\partial_\nu u\|_{1,\alpha;\partial\Omega} + \|u\|_\alpha$$

Neuman-Laplacian is Fredholm of index O .

Spectral Theorem for Compact Operators

X infinite dimensional Banach space, $K : X \rightarrow X$ compact. $\exists \{\mu_k\} \subset \mathbb{C}$ s.t $\mu_k \rightarrow 0$ ($\mu_0 = 0$) s.t:

- $(\mu Id - K)^{-1}$ bounded if $\mu \neq \mu_k$ for all k .
- $1 \leq \dim Ker(\mu Id - k) < \infty$ for all $k \geq 1$
- $1 \leq \dim ker(K)$

Lecture 23— The Heat Equation

Consider

$$\partial_t u = \Delta u : y_y = Ay$$

Heuristic argument: Parabolic equations are infinite dimensional limit of elliptic equations.

$$\Delta u = \partial_r^2 u + \frac{N-1}{r} \partial_r u + \Delta_z u$$

taking $N \rightarrow \infty$. More precisely,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau &= \frac{r^2}{N}, & \partial_r &= \frac{2r}{N} \partial_\tau \\ \partial_r^2 &= \frac{4r^2}{N^2} \partial_\tau^2 + \frac{2}{N} \partial_\tau \\ \Delta u &= \frac{4r^2}{N^2} \partial_\tau^2 u + \frac{2}{N} \partial_\tau u + \frac{2N-2}{N} \partial_\tau u + \Delta_z u \\ &= \frac{4\tau}{N} \partial_\tau^2 u + 2 \partial_\tau u + \Delta_z u \end{aligned}$$

$N \rightarrow \infty (t = -\tau)$.

Cauchy problem

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u = \Delta u & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+; \mathbb{R}_+ = \{x > 0\} \\ u = g & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases}$$

Heat kernel:

$$E(x, t) = \theta(t) (4\pi t)^{-n/2} e^{-|x|^2/4t}$$

$E \in C^\omega(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+)$. Equation is invariant under transformation:

$$t \mapsto \lambda^2 t$$

$$x \mapsto \lambda x$$

$$u(x, t) = \phi(|x|^2/t)$$

find radial solution for ODE to find kernel.

Definition 6.

$$(e^{t\Delta} g)(x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} E(x-y, t) g(y) d^n y$$

Heat propagator.

Theorem 18. $g \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n)$, define $u : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by heat propagator

$$u(x, t) = (e^{t\Delta}g)(x)$$

then $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+)$ and $\partial_t u = \Delta u$ in $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+$. Moreover,

$e^{t\Delta}g \rightarrow g$ locally uniformly as $t \rightarrow 0$ and

$$\|u\|_\infty \leq \|g\|_\infty$$

Proof.

$$\partial_t E = \Delta E \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+$$

We use the fact that

$$\int E(x, t) = 1, \quad E \geq 0 \quad E(x, t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0 \text{ if } x \neq 0$$

let

$$z = \frac{x - y}{2\sqrt{t}} \implies y = x - 2\sqrt{t}z$$

$$d^n y = (2\sqrt{t})^n d^n z$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= (4\pi t)^{-n/2} \int e^{-|z|^2} g(x - 2\sqrt{t}z) (2\sqrt{t})^n d^n z \\ &\leq \pi^{-n/2} \|g\|_\infty \int e^{-|z|^2} dz = \|g\|_\infty \end{aligned}$$

□

$$\partial_t u = \Delta u, \quad E(x, t) = \theta(t) (4\pi t)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{|x|^2}{4t}\right)$$

$$\theta(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t > 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$u(x, t) = [e^{t\Delta}g](x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} E(x - y, t) g(y) dy$$

Theorem 19. If $g \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+)$ and $\partial_t u = \Delta u$ in $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+$

$$e^{t\Delta}g \rightarrow g \text{ as } t \downarrow 0, \quad \|u\|_\infty \leq \|g\|_\infty$$

Some notes on the heat propagator operator:

$g \mapsto u : C_b(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_+)$ is bounded. One needs $|g(x)| \leq C e^{\alpha|x|^2}$ to ensure integrability under the heat propagator defined above. The formula is useless for $t < 0$. Moreover, the heat propagator has a smoothing effect; irreversible effect. Disturbances propagate at ∞ speed.

Duhamel's Principal

If $u_t = Lu$, $u|_{t=0} = g$ is solved by $u(t) = S(t)g$, then $u_t - Lu = f$, $u|_{t=0} = 0$ is solved by

$$u(t) = \int_0^t S(t-s)f(s) ds. \quad (46)$$

otherwise known as Duhamel's formula (DF).

We know $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} E(x-y, t)g(y)dy$ solves $u_t = \Delta u$, $u|_{t=0} = g$. Duhamel says

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} E(x-y, t-s)f(y, s) dy ds \quad (47)$$

solves $u_t - \Delta u = f$, $u|_{t=0} = 0$, ($f(y, s) = 0 \forall s < 0$).

Rigorous Treatment

Suppose $\partial_t u - \Delta u = f$ in $\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T)$.

$$I = [e^{(t-s)\Delta}u(s)](x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} E(x-y, t-s)u(y, s) dy; \quad (0 < s < t < T)$$

assume $u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, t])$.

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial s} = - \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} u(y, s) dy}_{\Delta e^{(t-s)\Delta}u(s)} + \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} E \underbrace{\frac{\partial u}{\partial s}(y, s) dy}_{f + \Delta u} \quad (48)$$

$$\int E(x-y, t-s)\Delta u(y, s) dy = \int \Delta E \cdot u \quad (49)$$

By Greens II vanishing boundary terms by taking very large ball. (50)

Assume the following with $0 < a < b < T$ (51)

$$u \in C_x^2(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T)), \quad (52)$$

$$\partial_i^2 u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times [a, b]), \quad (53)$$

$$\partial_t u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times [a, b]). \quad (54)$$

$$(55)$$

We have

$$e^{(t-b)\Delta}u(b) - e^{(t-a)\Delta}u(a) = \int_a^b \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} E(x-y, t-s)f(y, s) dy ds$$

$a \downarrow 0$, $b \uparrow t$. RHS holds provided $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times [0, t])$

$$e^{(t-a)\Delta}u(a) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} E(x-y, t-a)u(y, a) dy \quad (56)$$

$$= \int E(x-y, t-a)u(y, 0) dy + \int E(x-y, t-a)[u(y, a) - u(y, 0)] dy \quad (57)$$

$$(58)$$

[taking balls to attain local uniformly: more detail] Note that $[u(y, a) - u(y, 0)]$ is continuous so $u(y, a) \rightarrow u(y, 0)$ locally uniformly, but since our integration domain is infinite, we take a compact domain and we have the convergence and outside the ball, we use the decayness of E to ensure the convergence outside the ball

$$e^{(t-b)\Delta}u(b) = \int E(x-y, t-b)u(y, t)dy \quad (59)$$

$$= \int E(x-y, t-b)u(y, t)dy + \int E(x-y, t-b)[u(y, b) - u(y, t)]dy \quad (60)$$

Theorem 20. Let $u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T)) \cap C_x^2(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T))$. Furthermore, assume $u \in BC(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, b))$, $\forall b < T$. Also, assume $u \in BC^1(\mathbb{R}^n \times [a, b]) \cap BC^2(\mathbb{R}^n \times [a, b])$, $\forall a, b \in (0, T)$. $g \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \Delta u = f & \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T) \\ u = g & \mathbb{R}^n \times \{t = 0\} \end{cases} \quad (61)$$

Then,

$$u(t) = e^{t\Delta}g + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)\Delta}f(s)ds; \quad (0 < t < T) \quad [DF]$$

In particular solution to (61) is unique in the class considered.

Theorem 21. $g \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, b]) \cap C_b^1(\mathbb{R}^n \times [a, b])$, $(0 < a < b < T)$. Then (DF) solves (61) on $(0, T)$.

Proof.

$$\partial_t u = \Delta e^{t\Delta}g + f(t) + \int_0^t \Delta e^{(t-s)\Delta}f(s)ds \quad (62)$$

$$= f(t) + \Delta \left(e^{t\Delta}g + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)\Delta}f(s)ds \right) \quad (63)$$

$$(64)$$

To justify taking the Laplacian out from under the integral we need the following:

$$e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4t}} \rightarrow e^{-|z|^2/4t} \text{ by } |x| = |z|\sqrt{t}$$

$$\partial_x E \approx E \cdot \frac{|x|}{t} \approx E \frac{|z|}{t^{1/2}},$$

$$\int \Delta E \cdot f = \int_0^t \underbrace{\nabla E}_{(t-s)^{-1/2}} \cdot \nabla f$$

□

Lecture 24

Last time— Duhamel's Principal

Essentially a formula to solve the inhomogeneous heat equation: Let $g \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, t]) \cap C_b^1(\mathbb{R}^n \times [s, t]) \quad 0 < s < t < T.$$

We have

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solves the heat equation

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \Delta u = f & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T) \\ u = g & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^n \times \{0\} \end{cases}$$

Systems

Let

$$u, f : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \quad g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

and consider

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u_i - \Delta u_i = f_i & i = 1, \dots, m \\ u_i = g_i \end{cases}$$

where explicitly the solution is

$$u_i(t) = e^{t\Delta} g_i + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)\Delta} f_i(s) ds, \quad i = 1, \dots, m.$$

we write for simplicity

$$u(t) = e^{t\Delta} g + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)\Delta} f(s) ds.$$

We define the $C_b(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n)$ by

$$\|u\|_\infty = \max_i \|u_i\|_\infty$$

Nonlinear Reaction-diffusion Equations

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \Delta u = f(u) \\ u = g \end{cases} \quad \text{where } f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m. \quad (65)$$

Example

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \Delta u = (u - v)^3 \\ \partial_t v - \Delta v = uv \end{cases} \quad \text{where } f([u, v]^T) = [(u - v)^3, uv]^T$$

We have solution

$$u(t) = e^{t\Delta} g + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)\Delta} f(u(s)) ds \Leftrightarrow u = \phi(u) \quad (66)$$

We attempt to iterate since u_i are arguments of f so for u_1, u_2, \dots where we hope that $u_k \rightarrow u$, with u solving (65).

Lemma 5. Let $g \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $f \in C^1$, $u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T))$ solves (66), then u also solves (65).

Proof. If $u \in C_b^1(\mathbb{R}^n \times (s, t)) \forall 0 < s < t < T$. Then its obvious because $f \circ u$ satisfies the conditions of Duhamel.

$$\partial_j(e^{(t-s)\Delta} f(u(s))) = O((t-s)^{-1/2}) \quad [\text{previous lecture argument on Lap}]$$

$\implies \partial_j u$ satisfies "Duhmael". We use $X = C_b(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T))$ for $T > 0$ to be chosen later [to insure contraction, we aim to use Banach Fixed point Theorem]. For some large $M > 0$ such that

$$U = \overline{B_M} \subset X.$$

$$l = e^{t\Delta} g.$$

$$\|\phi(u(t)) - l(t)\|_\infty \leq \int_0^t \|e^{(t-s)\Delta} f(u(s))\|_\infty ds \quad (67)$$

$$\leq \int_0^t \|f(u(s))\|_\infty ds \quad (68)$$

$$\leq t \cdot \alpha \quad \forall u \in \overline{B_M}, \quad (69)$$

where $\alpha = \sup_{|v| \leq M} |f(v)|$. Now, $u \in \overline{B_M} \subset X$

$$\|\phi(u) - l\|_\infty \leq T\alpha$$

$$\|\phi(u)\|_\infty \leq \|l\|_\infty + T\alpha \leq \|g\|_\infty + T\alpha$$

Choose $M \geq 2\|g\|_\infty$. $T \leq \frac{\|g\|_\infty}{\alpha}$

$$\implies \phi(u) \in \overline{B_M} \text{ for } u \in \overline{B_M}$$

which asserts the invariance of the ball. Now we need to assert contraction:

$$\|\phi(u(t)) - \phi(v(t))\|_\infty \leq \int_0^t \|e^{(t-s)\Delta} [f(u(s)) - f(v(s))]\|_\infty ds \quad (70)$$

$$\leq \int_0^t \|f(u(s)) - f(v(s))\|_\infty ds \quad (71)$$

analogy with the Mean Value Theorem

$$f(a) - f(b) = f'(\xi)(a - b) \quad \xi \in (a, b)$$

we have

$$f_i(a) - f_i(b) = \nabla f_i(\xi) \cdot (a - b)$$

$\xi = \theta a + (1 - \theta)b$, $\theta \in [0, 1]$, so returning to our problem

$$\|\phi(u(t)) - \phi(v(t))\|_\infty \leq \int_0^t \beta \|u(s) - v(s)\|_\infty ds \leq \beta t \|u - v\|_\infty$$

where

$$\beta = \sup_{|v| \leq M} \max_{i,k} |\partial_i f_k(v)|,$$

$$\implies \|\phi(u) - \phi(v)\|_\infty \leq \beta T \|u - v\|_\infty$$

choose $T < \frac{1}{\beta}$ and we have existence on $(0, T)$. \square

Theorem 22. Let $g \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $f \in C^1$. Then $\exists T > 0$ s.t (65) has a solution $u \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T)) \cap C_x^2(\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T))$. It is unique in the class considered in Duhamel. Moreover, unless $|u(x, t)| \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \rightarrow T$ as some $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, u can be continued beyond T .

A Prio estimates:

If u is a solution on $(0, T)$ then

$$\|u\|_\infty \leq \psi(T)$$

$$\|u\|_{L^2} \leq \psi(t)$$

$$\underbrace{\|\nabla u\|}_{\text{more critical}} < \infty \quad \text{for some } \psi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$$

$$\|u\| < \infty$$

Lecture 25

Maximum Principles

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ bounded domain. $0 < T < \infty$.

$$L = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j + \sum_i b_i \partial_i + b_0$$

$a_{ij}, b_k \in C(\bar{Q})$, L elliptic. $Q = \Omega \times (0, T)$ and $\partial_o Q = \bar{\Omega} \times \{0\} \cup \partial\Omega \times (0, T)$.

Theorem 23. $u \in C(\bar{Q}) \cap C_t^1 C_x^2(Q)$

$$\begin{cases} u_t - Lu \leq 0 & \text{in } Q \\ u \leq 0 & \text{on } \partial_o Q \end{cases}$$

$\implies u \leq 0$ in \bar{Q} .

Proof. Suppose $M < \infty$ such that $\sup_Q |b_0| < M$ and $u > 0$ at some point in Q

$$\implies v(x, t) = u(x, t)e^{-Mt}$$

has positive maximums in $Q \cup \Omega \times \{T\}$

$$\partial_t v \geq 0, \quad \partial_i v = 0, \quad \sum a_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j v \leq 0$$

so

$$\partial_t v - Lv \geq b_0 v > -Mv$$

$$\partial_t v - Lv = \partial_t u \cdot e^{-Mt} - Mue^{-Mt} - e^{-Mt} Lu \tag{72}$$

$$\leq -Mue^{-Mt} = -Mv \tag{73}$$

□

Uniqueness

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - Lu = f & \text{in } Q \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial_o Q \end{cases}$$

has uniqueness in $C(\bar{Q}) \cap C_t^1 C_x^2(Q)$.

Maximum Principal in \mathbb{R}^n

Figure needed. $E(x, \tau) = E(ix, \tau) = (4\pi\tau)^{-n/2} e^{|x|^2/4\tau}$ satisfies

$$\partial_\tau F = -\Delta f$$

and

$$\partial_t F = \Delta F$$

Define $v_\epsilon = u - \epsilon F$. Assume:

$$|u(x, t)| \leq M e^{\alpha|x|^2}$$

then,

$$v_\epsilon(x, t) \leq M e^{\alpha|x|^2} - \frac{\epsilon \cdot e^{|x|^2/4(\tau+\delta)}}{[4\pi(\tau+\delta)]^{n/2}} \leq \text{if } |x| \text{ large.}$$

if $u \leq 0$ at $\{t = 0\}$ then

$$\partial_t v_\epsilon - \Delta v_\epsilon = \partial_t u - \Delta u \leq 0$$

then by maximum principal we have

$$v_\epsilon \leq 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, T) \quad \forall \epsilon > 0.$$

so

$$u \leq \epsilon F \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0.$$

□

Allen-Cahn

$$\partial_t u = \Delta u + u - u^3$$

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Consider

$$\partial_t u = \Delta u + u^2$$

compare with

$$\partial_t v = v^2$$

by taking difference $w = u - v$

$$w \geq 0 \implies u \geq v.$$

$$u \partial_t u = \partial_t \frac{|u|^2}{2} = u \Delta u + u^2 - u^4 \tag{74}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \Delta |u|^2 - |\nabla u|^2 + u^2 - u^4 \tag{75}$$

since $\nabla(u \nabla u) = |\nabla u|^2 + u \Delta u$

$$\Delta |u|^2 = \nabla^2(u \cdot u) = \nabla(2u \nabla u) = 2|\nabla u|^2 + 2u \Delta u$$