

HOMEWORK PDE2

Problem 1: Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta u + \ln u &= f && \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= u_d && \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{aligned}$$

where $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ is nonnegative, and $u_d \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$ fulfills $u_d \geq \varepsilon > 0$ a.e. in Ω .

GOAL: Show that there exists unique positive $u \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$ solving the problem.

GOAL (not obligatory): Prove the same statement but assume only $f \in L^2(\Omega)$, $u_d \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$, $u_d > 0$ a.e. in Ω and $\int_{\Omega} |\ln u_d| < \infty$.

DEADLINE: April 1

Problem 2: Consider the following problem

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta_p u + \sinh u &= f && \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= 0 && \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{aligned}$$

where $f \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ and $p \in (1, \infty)$.

GOAL: Define a proper notion of a weak solution and prove the existence and the uniqueness.

DEADLINE: April 30

Problem 3: Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be Lipschitz. Consider the sequences v^n and u^n such that for some $p, q \in (1, \infty)$ there holds

$$\begin{aligned} u^n &\rightharpoonup u && \text{weakly in } L^2(0, T; W^{1,p}(\Omega)), \\ v^n &\rightharpoonup v && \text{weakly in } L^q(0, T; L^q(\Omega)). \end{aligned}$$

In addition, assume that for all $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^2((0, T) \times \Omega)$ there holds

$$\int_0^T \int_{\Omega} u^n \partial_t \varphi + v^n \Delta \varphi = 0.$$

GOAL: Show that there exists a subsequence such that

$$u^{n_k} \rightarrow u \text{ strongly in } L^1(0, T; L^p(\Omega)).$$

DEADLINE: May 24

Problem 4: Consider the evolutionary parabolic problem

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u - \Delta u - \alpha \Delta_p u &= 0 && \text{in } (0, T) \times \Omega, \\ (\nabla u + \alpha |\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u) \cdot \vec{\nu} + \beta |u|^{q-2} u &= 0 && \text{on } (0, T) \times \partial\Omega, \\ u(0) &= u_0 && \text{in } \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

with $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ Lipschitz, $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$ and $p, q \in (1, 2)$ and $\vec{\nu}$ being the outer normal vector on $\partial\Omega$.

GOAL: For any $u_0 \in L^2(\Omega)$ show that there exists unique weak solution. In case that $\alpha, \beta > 0$, show that there exists $t_0 \in (0, \infty)$ such that the weak solution satisfies $u(t) = 0$ for all $t \geq t_0$. (In other words, prove the extinction in finite time).

DEADLINE: May 24

Problem 5: Let Ω be Lipschitz and $\Gamma_1 \subset \partial\Omega$ be such that $|\Gamma_1| > 0$. Assume that $\vec{g} \in L^3(\partial\Omega; \mathbb{R}^N)$, where $N \in \mathbb{N}$ is given and define the set S as¹

$$S := \left\{ \mathbf{A} \in L^3(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{d \times N}); \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{A} : \nabla \vec{v} = \int_{\partial\Omega \setminus \Gamma_1} \vec{g} \cdot \vec{v} \text{ for all } \vec{v} \in V \right\}$$

and

$$V := \left\{ \vec{v} \in W^{1, \frac{3}{2}}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^N); \vec{v} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1 \right\}.$$

Consider the problem: Find $\mathbf{A} \in S$ such that for all $\mathbf{B} \in S$ there holds

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{|\mathbf{A}|^3}{3} + |\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{l}|^2 \leq \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\mathbf{B}|^3}{3} + |\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{l}|^2,$$

where $\mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times N}$ is given.

GOAL: 1) Show that there exists unique \mathbf{A} solving the problem.

2) Derive the Euler–Lagrange equations.

3) Find the corresponding primary formulation - the corresponding system of PDE's and show the equivalence of primary and dual formulation.

DEADLINE: three days before exam

¹Here \mathbf{A} denotes the $(d \times N)$ -matrix-valued function and “:” is the scalar product in the space of matrices, i.e., for any $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times N}$ there holds

$$\mathbf{A} : \mathbf{B} := \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{\nu=1}^N (\mathbf{A})_{i,\nu} (\mathbf{B})_{i,\nu}, \quad |\mathbf{A}|^2 := \mathbf{A} : \mathbf{A}.$$