

# Problem sheet 4

## 1) Monotone Operators

(1) Let  $A: M \rightarrow X^*$  be a monotone operator,

ie.  $\bullet$  monotone:  $\langle A(u) - A(v), u - v \rangle \geq 0$

$\bullet$  hemicontinuous:

$$+ \mapsto \langle A(tu + (1-t)v), w \rangle \\ \text{cont. } \forall u, w, v \dots$$

Claim 1: A satisfies cond. (H3), ie.

(i) If  $u_n \xrightarrow{w} u$   
 $A(u_n) \xrightarrow{w} \xi$  in  $X^*$

$$+ u_n \langle \xi, u \rangle \leq \liminf \langle A(u_n), u_n \rangle$$

(iii) Equality in (i) implies

$$\langle A(u) - \xi, u - v \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall v \in M.$$

By Minty (ii) is equivalent to

$$\langle A(v) - \xi, u - v \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall v \in M$$

## Proof of Claim 1:

Let  $u_n \xrightarrow{w} u$  (always  $u_n \in M$ )

s.t.  $A(u_n) \xrightarrow{w} \xi$  ( $w^*$  is eq. to  $w$  as  $X$  reflexive)

Then  $\langle A(u_n) - \xi, v \rangle \rightarrow 0 \quad \forall v \in M \setminus X$

in particular

$$\langle A(u_n) - \xi, u \rangle \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{and also } \langle A(u_n), u_n - u \rangle \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } u_n \rightarrow u$$

So:

$$(i) \langle A(u_n), u_n - u \rangle = \underbrace{\langle A(u_n) - A(u), u_n - u \rangle}_{\geq 0} \\ + \underbrace{\langle A(u), u_n - u \rangle}_{\rightarrow 0}$$

giving

$$\liminf \langle A(u_n), u_n \rangle \geq \liminf \langle A(u_n), u \rangle \\ = \liminf \langle \xi, u \rangle$$

so (i) ✓

(ii) Assume we have

$$\liminf \langle A(u_n), u_n \rangle = \langle \xi, u \rangle$$

we claim that

$$\langle A(v) - \xi, u - v \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall v \in M$$

So let  $v \in M$  any element

Monotone  $\Rightarrow \langle A(v) - A(u_1), u_1 - v \rangle \leq 0$

So  $\rightarrow \langle A(u_1), u \rangle$  by  $u$  conv  
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$0 \geq \lim (\langle A(v), u_1 \rangle - \langle A(u_1), u_1 \rangle)$

$- \langle A(v), v \rangle + \langle A(u_1), v \rangle$

$\uparrow$  Fixed  
 $\rightarrow \langle \xi, v \rangle$   
 by w conv. of  $A(u_1)$

$= \langle A(v), u \rangle - \lim \langle A(u_1), u_1 \rangle = \langle \xi, u \rangle$

$- \langle A(v), v \rangle + \langle \xi, v \rangle$  by ass.

$= \langle A(v) - \xi, u - v \rangle \rightarrow \square (ii) \rightarrow \square (iii)$

(2) Assume  $u_1, u_2$  are solutions of  $A \in M$

$\langle A(u_1), u_1 - v \rangle \leq 0$

Then

$\langle A(u_1) - A(u_2), u_1 - u_2 \rangle$

$= \langle A(u_1), u_1 - u_2 \rangle + \langle A(u_2), u_2 - u_1 \rangle$

$\leq 0$  so  $u_1 = u_2$

(3) Know: (H3) satisfied

so show

Claim 1: (H1) holds, i.e.  $A$  maps bd. sets to bd sets

holds by ass.

Claim 2: (H2) holds, i.e.  $A$  is coercive w.r.t. some  $u_0 \in M$ ,  $\rightarrow \infty \|u\| \rightarrow \infty$

Then Turn from lecture implies  $\exists$  FP. and by (2) FP is unique

Proof of (H1):

~~with fixed  $u_0$~~

Proof of (H2):

Fix any  $u_0 \in M$ .

Then  $\langle A(u), u - u_0 \rangle$

$= \langle A(u) - A(u_0), u - u_0 \rangle + \langle A(u_0), u - u_0 \rangle$

$\geq c \cdot \|u - u_0\|^2$

$- C \cdot \|u - u_0\| \leq \|A(u_0)\| \in X^*$

c.s.  $\geq (c - \frac{C}{\sqrt{c}}) \|u - u_0\|^2 - (\frac{C}{\sqrt{c}})^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$

so  $\frac{\langle A(u), u - u_0 \rangle}{\|u - u_0\|} \geq \frac{C}{2} \|u - u_0\| - \frac{C}{\|u - u_0\|} \rightarrow \infty$

## 2) Monotonicity $\Leftrightarrow$ Convexity:

$F$  Gateaux diff.

so  $\forall x \in X \exists F'(x) \in X^*$

with  $F'(x)(v) = \partial F(u) \forall v \in X$

$F$  convex  $\Rightarrow F' : X \rightarrow X^*$  monotone:

$F$  convex  $\Rightarrow \forall u, v \in X \mapsto g_{u,v}(t) := F(tu + (1-t)v)$   
is convex

$F$  Gateaux-diff.  $\Rightarrow$  directional deriv. exists so  $g_{u,v}$  is different. with

$$g'_{u,v}(t) = \langle F'(tu + (1-t)v), u-v \rangle$$

$g$  convex  $\Rightarrow g'_{u,v}$  non-decreasing

$$\text{So } 0 \leq g'_{u,v}(1) - g'_{u,v}(0) = \langle F'(u), u-v \rangle - \langle F'(v), u-v \rangle$$

so  $F'$  monotone.

$F' : X \rightarrow X^*$  monotone  $\Rightarrow F$  convex

Let  $u, v \in X, g = g_{u,v}$  as above

$F'$  monotone  $\Rightarrow g'(s) - g'(t) \geq 0$  for  $s \geq t$

Since:

$$g'(s) - g'(t) = \langle F'(s \underbrace{u + (1-s)v}_{=: u_s}), u-v \rangle$$

$$\leq \langle F'(u_s + (t-s)(u-v)), u-v \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{s-t} \cdot \underbrace{\langle F'(u_s) - F'(u_s - (s-t)(u-v)), (s-t)(u-v) \rangle}_{\geq 0}$$

as  $F'$  monotone.

so  $g'$  non-decreasing

so  $g$  convex and hence

$$F(tu + (1-t)v) \leq tF(u) + (1-t)F(v) \quad \forall t \in [0,1]$$

$\forall u, v$

so  $F$  convex.



### Q3 Strongly monotone operator on $H^1(\Omega)$ .

a) •  $A: X \rightarrow X^*$  is linear and bounded,

$$\|A(u)\|_{X^*} = \sup_{\|v\|_X=1} |A(u)|$$

$$\leq \|u\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq \|u\|_X$$

so continuous so also weakly continuous

• As  $H^2(\Omega) \hookrightarrow C^1(\Omega)$

and  $u \in H^1(\Omega)$  we have

~~maximal a priori estimate~~

• by "H<sup>1</sup>-version" of Poincaré inequality.

$$\int u^2 dx \leq c_1 \int |u'|^2 dx$$

• by MV=0 version of Poincaré inequality.

$$\|u\|_{L^2}^2 \leq c_2 \|u'\|_{L^2}^2$$

since  $\int_{\Omega} u' dx = u(1) - u(0) = 0$

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So

$$\|u\|_{H^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq (1+c_1) \|u'\|_{L^2}^2 + \|u\|_{L^2}^2$$

$$\leq \underbrace{(c_2(1+c_1)+1)}_{=: c_0} \|u'\|_{L^2}^2 = c_0 \|u\|_{H^2}^2$$

as this holds  $\forall u \in X$  and as  $A$  is linear thus

also  $\langle A(u) - A(v), u - v \rangle = \langle A(u-v), u-v \rangle \geq c_0 \|u-v\|_{H^2}^2$

b) Let  $B_0(u)(v) = u(0)v(0)$ .

Then  $B_0: X \rightarrow X^*$  well def., linear & bounded so continuous as  $H^2(\Omega) \hookrightarrow C^0(\Omega)$

so  $|u(0)| \leq c_3 \|u\|_{H^2}$

• Map  $F: v \mapsto \int_{\Omega} x \cdot v(x) dx$  is an element of  $X^*$  as  $|\langle F, v \rangle| \leq \|x\|_{L^2} \cdot \|v\|_{L^2} \leq \|v\|_{H^2}$

• linear.

so  $B: u \mapsto B_0(u) + f$  is well def.

also

$$|\langle B(u) - B(v), u - v \rangle| = |\langle B_0(u-v), u-v \rangle| \leq c_3^2 \|u-v\|_{H^2}^2$$

So for  $\mu$  chosen st.  $c_0 - \mu c_3 = c_1 > 0$

We have that  $\forall u \in X_0$

$$\langle Fu, u-v \rangle \geq \underbrace{(c_0 - \mu c_3)}_{=c_1} \|u-v\|_{H^2}^2$$

so strongly monotone.

As  $A, B_0$  w.r.t. sets of  $X$  to set of  $F X^*$  and as  $F$  is ind. of  $F u$  thus satisfies all ass. of Q1c)

so  $\exists ! u$  s.t.  $\langle Fu, u-v \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall v \in X$

Given  $w$ , choosing  $v = u \pm w$  gives

$$\langle Fu, w \rangle = 0 \quad \forall w \in X$$

so  $Fu = 0$

c)  $\mu > 0$

$$\langle Fu(u), v \rangle = \int \mu \cdot v'' dx + \mu (u^2 |v|) + \mu \cdot \int x \cdot v |x| dx$$

Claim:  $Fu(u) = 0 \iff u$  is minimiser of

$$I_\mu(v) := \frac{1}{2} \int \mu |v|''^2 dx + \frac{\mu}{2} \int (v|v|)^2 + \mu \cdot \int x \cdot v |x| dx$$

Proof:

$$\langle Fu(u), v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \iff u \text{ minimiser} \implies \frac{d}{dt} I_\mu(u+tv) = 0 \quad \forall v$$

and this differential is  $\langle Fu(u), v \rangle$

$\implies$  " Let  $v$  be any element of  $F X$ ,  $u$  s.t.  $Fu(u) = 0$

$\implies$  need to show  $I_\mu(v) - I_\mu(u) \geq 0$

REASON WHY THIS HOLDS:  $I_\mu$  convex:

$$I_\mu(v) - I_\mu(u) = \frac{1}{2} \int \mu |v|''^2 - |u|''^2 + \frac{\mu}{2} \int (|v|)^2 - (|u|)^2 + \mu \int x (v-u) |x| dx = \langle A(u), v-u \rangle - \mu \cdot u|v| (|v|-|u|)$$

so  $I_{\alpha}(v) - I_{\alpha}(u)$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int |v|^{p^*} - 2u \cdot v + |u|^{p^*} \\ + \frac{\mu}{2} |v|^{q^*} - 2v|v|^{q^*} + |u|^{q^*}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|v - u\|^{p^*} + \frac{\mu}{2} \|v - u\|^{q^*}$$

$$\geq 0 \text{ with } "=" \text{ iff } u = v$$

Remark: actually this also holds for  $\mu \leq 0$ ,  
provided  $|u| \leq \mu_0$ ,  $\mu_0$  as in b)

as we get

$$2I_{\alpha}(v) - I_{\alpha}(u) = \mu \langle A(u+v), u-v \rangle \\ + \mu \langle B(u-v), u-v \rangle$$

which we know is  $> 0$  for ...

Q4

$$I(u) = \int |\Delta v|^2 + f \cdot v \, dx \quad , f \in C^2(\Omega)$$

(1) E-L eq

weak form of E-L eq.

$$\frac{d}{dt} I(u+w) = \left[ 2 \int \Delta v \cdot \Delta w + \int f \cdot w \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \right]$$

~~is the weak form of E-L eq~~

$$= \int (2 \Delta^2 v + f) w \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad \text{for all } w \in H^2_0(\Omega)$$

So E-L :  
strong form

$$\Delta^2 u + 2f = 0$$

Assume  $u$  is a critical point so

$$\int 2 \Delta u \cdot \Delta w + f \cdot w = 0 \quad \forall w \in H^2_0(\Omega)$$

Then if

$v$  is s.t.  $u-v \in H^2_0(\Omega)$ ,  $v \in H^2(\Omega)$

then

$$\begin{aligned} I(u) - I(u) &= \int |\Delta v|^2 - |\Delta u|^2 + \int f(v-u) \\ &= \int (|\Delta v|^2 - |\Delta u|^2 - 2 \Delta u \Delta v + u) \\ &= \|\Delta(u-v)\|_{L^2}^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

with  $u = u$  iff  $\Delta u = \Delta v$

As also  $u = v$  on  $\partial\Omega$  (in sense of traces)

Weak max princ. implies that

$$u = v \text{ on } \Omega \quad (\text{a.e.})$$

Alternative would be to use hint for next

part for this last bit

(2) Let  $g \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $g \leq 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$

$M = \{v \in H^2(\Omega) \cap H^1_0(\Omega) : v \geq g \text{ on } \partial\Omega\}$

Claim:  $\exists$  unique minimiser of  $I$  on  $M$

Proof:

Let  $X = H^2_0(\Omega) \cap H^2(\Omega)$  with  $\|x\|_X^2 = \|u\|_{H^2}^2 + \|\Delta u\|_{L^2}^2$

which is a reflexive separable Banach space.

Let  $M$  as in Q which is convex, closed and as  $g \leq 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$  also NON-EMPTY.   
  $\rightarrow$  SEE NEXT PAGE

Define

$$A: M \rightarrow X^*$$

$$u \mapsto A(u), \quad A(u)(v) = 2 \int \Delta u \cdot \Delta v + \int f \cdot v$$



Claim:  $A$  is a strongly monotone operator and maps  $U$  sets to  $U$  sets

Proof: •  $A(u) = B(u) + F$

$B \cdot F(v) = \int f \cdot v \, dx$

•  $B(u)(v) = \int \Delta u \cdot \Delta v \, dx$

as  $F, B(u)$  are linear and bounded,

$\|F(v)\| \leq \|F\|_{L^2} \cdot \|v\|_{L^2} \leq \|F\|_{L^2} \cdot \|v\|_X$

$\|B(u)(v)\| \leq \|u\|_{H^2} \cdot \|v\|_{H^2}$

We have  $A: M \rightarrow X^*$  and  $A$  is linear and bounded,

and as  $u \mapsto B(u)$  is linear and bounded,

$\|B(u)\|_{X^*} \leq \|u\|_{H^2}$

$A$  is continuous & maps bounded sets to  $U$  sets.

•  $\langle A(u) - A(v), u - v \rangle = \|\Delta(u - v)\|_{L^2}^2$

$\geq \frac{1}{2c} \|u - v\|_{H^1}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\Delta(u - v)\|_{L^2}^2$

$\geq c_0 \cdot \|u - v\|_X^2$

So exist. of ~~optimal~~  $A$  UNIQUE SOLUTION to  $MA \leq a$  follows from Q1.

$\langle A(u), u - v \rangle \leq 0 \quad (*)$

As for every  $v \in M$

$I(v) - I(u) = \int (\Delta v - \Delta u)^2 + \langle A(u), v - u \rangle$

$\geq 0$  "only if  $\Delta u = \Delta v$ "

$u$  is a minimiser of  $I$  on  $M$  and finally if  $v$  was any other

minimiser we'd have that  $v$  is also a sol. of  $(*)$  so must be  $\equiv u$ .

Proof that  $M$  is NON-EMPTY:

Let  $u$  be unique sol. of

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

(exists as  $\Delta g \in C^0(\mathbb{R}^n) \in C^2(\Omega)$ ).

Then  $-\Delta(u - g) = 0, u - g = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$  so  $u \geq g$  a.e. by weak-MP.



Q5)  $\Omega = D_1(0) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$-\Delta u + u^5 = 1$  in  $\Omega$

$u = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$

Weak formulation:

As  $H_0^1(\Omega) \xrightarrow[\text{comp.}]{\text{cont.}} L^p(\Omega) \forall p < \infty$

have in particular  $u^5 \in L^2(\Omega)$  if  $u \in H_0^1$

so weak form: Find  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  s.t.

$\int \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx + \int u^5 \cdot v \, dx = \int v \, dx$

$\forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$

is well def.

Reformulate as FP problem:

Let  $T(u) := (-\Delta)^{-1}(1 - u^5)$

Then  $T: H_0^1(\Omega) \xrightarrow[\text{cont.}]{u^5 - u^5 = F(u)} L^2(\Omega) \xrightarrow[\text{comp.}]{(-\Delta)^{-1}} H_0^1(\Omega)$

by Lemma -

- Simple subd. / supersd.

$\bar{u} \equiv 1$  then  $-\Delta \bar{u} = 0 = F(\bar{u})$

and  $\bar{u} \geq 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$

$\underline{u} = 0$  then  $-\Delta \underline{u} = 0 \neq F(\underline{u}) = 1$

and  $\underline{u} \leq 0$ .

- For  $F_\lambda(u) = 1 - u^5 + \lambda u$  to be  $\nearrow$  on  $[0, 1]$

choose e.g.  $\lambda = 5$  then  $F_\lambda(u) = 5 - 5u^4 \geq 0$ .

Constructive method:

Define iteratively

$u_0 = \underline{u}$

$u_i = T_\lambda(u_{i-1})$  where  $T_\lambda(u) = (-\Delta + \lambda)^{-1}(F_\lambda(u))$

Claim: (i) ~~u\_i~~  $u_i \geq u_{i-1}$

(ii)  $u_i \leq \bar{u}$

Proof of (i):

For  $j=1$  we have

$$(-\Delta + \lambda)(u_1) = f_\lambda(u_0) = f_\lambda(u) \geq (-\Delta + \lambda)(u)$$

as  $u$  subsol.

$$u_1 = 0 \geq u \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

So, as weak MP holds also for  $-\Delta + \lambda, \lambda \geq 0$

$$u_1 \geq u_2$$

For  $j \geq 1$  assume claim true for  $j$

Then  $f_\Delta(u_{j+1}) = f_\lambda(u_j) \geq f_\lambda(u_{j+1})$   
 $u_j \geq u_{j+1}$   
 $f_\lambda$  monot.

$$u_{j+1} = u_j \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

So claim true again by WMP.

(ii)

Finally: Know  $u_0 \leq \bar{u}$

If  $u_i \leq \bar{u}$  then get

$$(-\Delta + \lambda)(u_{i+1}) = f_\lambda(u_i) \leq f(u) \leq (-\Delta + \lambda)(\bar{u})$$

So by WMP

$$u_{i+1} \leq \bar{u}$$

So have monotone sequence

$$u \leq u_i \leq u_{i+1} \leq u$$

~~But  $u_i$  bounded in  $L^p$~~  ~~Monotonicity~~

~~the  $u_i$~~

~~set  $\{u_i\}$  seq. ~~which is bounded~~~~

Now different ways in which we can argue

could use T compact  $H^1$  from  $L^p \rightarrow H^1(\Omega)$  is

$$(u_i) \text{ bounded in } L^p \text{ so } u_{i+1} = T(u_i) \text{ has conv. s.s. in } H^1$$

using Domin. convergence know  $u_i \rightarrow u$

$$u_i \rightarrow u \text{ in } L^p \text{ if } p < \infty$$

so using only that  $T: L^p \rightarrow H^1(\Omega)$  is continuous get that

$$u_{i+1} = T(u_i) \rightarrow T(u)$$

$$u_i \rightarrow u$$

As full seq.

Variational approach:

$$\text{Let } A(u)(v) = \int \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int u \Delta v - \int u v dx$$

Claim:  $A : H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow (H_0^1(\Omega))^*$  smoothly monotone

Proof

$$\langle A(u) - A(v), u - v \rangle = \|\nabla(u - v)\|_{L^2}^2 + \int (u \Delta v - v \Delta u)(u - v) \geq 0$$

have that  $x \mapsto x^5$  smoothly  $\nearrow$  so

$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \|\nabla(u - v)\|_{L^2}^2 \\ &\stackrel{\text{Poinc.}}{\geq} c_0 \|u - v\|_{H_0^1}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Also:  $A$  maps bounded sets to bounded sets:

Let  $R > 0$ ,  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  s.t.  $\|u\|_{H^1} \leq R$

Then by Sobolev emb.  $\exists C$  s.t.

$$\|u\|_{L^6} \leq C \|u\|_{H^1}$$

So  $\forall v \in H_0^1$  s.t.  $\|v\|_{H^1} = 1$  and hence  $\|v\|_{L^2} \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} |A(u)(v)| &\leq \|u\|_{L^2} \cdot \|v\|_{L^2} \\ &= \|u\|_{L^6}^5 \cdot \|v\|_{L^2} \leq R^5 \end{aligned}$$

Hence exist. & uniqueness follows from 1) & usual argument that sol. of PDE  $\Rightarrow$  sol. of  $"u = "$  as we are on a vector space.

Uniqueness:  
- from variat. approach  $\checkmark$

or directly: If  $u, v$  are two sol.

then using a test fun  $\varphi = u - v$

$$\int (\nabla u - \nabla v)^2 + (u \Delta v - v \Delta u)(u - v) = 0$$

so  $u \equiv v$ .



Using Schauder and sub/supersol.:

Know that

$$T: M \rightarrow M$$

$$M = \{ u \in H_0^1(\Omega) : \underline{u} \leq u \leq \bar{u} \} \subset H_0^1$$

Since we can apply WMP to ineq. we obtain as above:

$$\{ (-\Delta + \lambda)u \leq (-\Delta + \lambda)\underline{u} \leq (-\Delta + \lambda)\bar{u} \text{ in } \Omega$$

$$\} \quad \underline{u} \leq u \leq \bar{u} \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

•  $T(M)$  is precompact since

$M \subset L^1(\Omega)$  bounded and

$$T: L^1(\Omega) \xrightarrow[\text{cont.}]{u \mapsto \mathcal{F}_\lambda(u)} L^1(\Omega) \xrightarrow[\text{compact}]{\text{compact}} H_0^1(\Omega)$$

maps  
b.d. sets to  
b.d. sets

so Schauder's Thm applies.