

## 2. Asymp Dirichlet prob for $\Delta_{\mathbb{H}^{n+1}}$

### 2.1 Preliminaries

The Laplacian of Riem mfd  $(X, g)$

$$\Delta u := g^{ij} \nabla_i \nabla_j u$$

loc frame  $X_1, \dots, X_n$

$$= g^{ij} (X_i X_j u - \Gamma^k_{ij} X_k u)$$

Fact 2.1  $\Delta$  is characterized by

$$\int_X (\Delta u) \varphi \, dV = - \int_X \langle du, d\varphi \rangle \, dV, \quad \varphi \in C_0^\infty.$$

Equivalently:  $\Delta = -d^*d$ .

$\swarrow \quad \searrow$   $\exists$  metric

Def 2.2  $P: \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(F)$  LDO

$\rightsquigarrow$  formal adj  $P^*: \Gamma(F) \rightarrow \Gamma(E)$

$$\int_X \langle P^*u, \varphi \rangle \, dV = \int_X \langle u, P\varphi \rangle \, dV \quad \varphi \in C_0^\infty(X, E)$$

## ★ Ellipticity

$P: \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(F)$  LDO of order  $l$

$$Pu = a^{i_1 \dots i_l} X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_l} u + \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{lower order} \\ \text{terms} \end{array} \right)$$

$$a^{i_1 \dots i_l}(x) \in \text{Hom}(E_x, F_x)$$

Def 2.3 (1) The principal symbol

$$\sigma_p: T^*X \longrightarrow \text{Hom}(E, F)$$

$$\sigma_p(x, \eta) := a^{i_1 \dots i_l}(x) \eta_{i_1} \dots \eta_{i_l}$$

$x \in X \quad \eta \in T_x^*X \quad (\eta = \eta_i \theta^i)$

(2) P elliptic  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \sigma_p$  invertible  
on  $T^*X \setminus (\text{zero set})$

Ex.  $\sigma_\Delta(x, \eta) = g^{ij}(x) \eta_i \eta_j = |\eta|_{g_x}^2$

$\therefore \Delta$  elliptic.

$U \subset \mathbb{R}^N$      $H^m(U)$      $L^2$ -Sobolev sp  
( $m = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ )

$U$  convex  $\rightarrow$   $C^{m,\alpha}(U)$     Hölder sp  
( $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ;  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ )

Fact 2.4 (local elliptic estimates)

$P$  ell LDO defined on a nbhd of  
 $\bar{B}_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  of order  $l$

(1)  $u \in L^2(B_1)$ ,  $Pu \in H^m(B_1)$   
 $\Rightarrow u \in H^{m+l}(B_{1/2})$ ,

$$\|u\|_{H^{m+l}(B_{1/2})} \leq C (\|Pu\|_{H^m(B_1)} + \|u\|_{L^2(B_1)})$$

(2)  $u \in C^{0,0}(B_1)$ ,  $Pu \in C^{m,\alpha}(B_1)$   
( $0 < \alpha < 1$  fixed)  
 $\Rightarrow u \in C^{m+l,\alpha}(B_{1/2})$ ,

similar estimate.

Moreover, if

$|$  coeffs of  $P$   $|$     unif bdd above,  
 $\sigma_P(x, \eta) / |\eta|^l$     unif bdd below,

then  $\exists C$  uniformly.

2.2 The result for  $\Delta_{\mathbb{H}^{n+1}}$

$\Delta = \Delta_{\mathbb{H}^{n+1}}$  below.

Prop 2.5

(1) Upper-half sp model.

$$\mathbb{H}^{n+1} = (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^n \quad g = \frac{g_{\text{Euc}}}{x^2}$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_x \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{(y^1, \dots, y^n)}$

$$(*) \quad \Delta = (x\partial_x)^2 - n x\partial_x + x^2 \Delta_{\mathbb{R}^n}$$

$$\partial_n = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \quad \left( \Delta_{\mathbb{R}^n} = \sum_{a=1}^n \partial_{y^a}^2 \right)$$

(2) Poincaré ball model



$$\rho = \frac{1 - |x|}{1 + |x|} = e^{-d(0, x)}$$

$$\mathbb{H}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \approx (0, 1) \times S^n$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_\rho$

$$(**) \quad \Delta = (p\partial_p)^2 - n \cdot \frac{1 + p^2}{1 - p^2} p\partial_p + \frac{4p^2}{(1 - p^2)^2} \Delta_{S^n}$$

Observe:

$$(*) \quad \Delta \xrightarrow{\text{"x} \rightarrow 0} (x\partial_x)^2 - n x\partial_x$$

(as noncomm poly of  $x\partial_x, \partial_{y^1}, \dots, \partial_{y^n}$ )

$$(**) \quad \Delta \xrightarrow{\text{"p} \rightarrow 0} (p\partial_p)^2 - n p\partial_p$$

$I(s) = s^2 - ns$  characteristic poly of  $\Delta$

$I(s) = 0 \iff s = 0, n$  characteristic roots

Thm 2.6 Let  $\varphi \in C^\infty(\partial B^{n+1})$ .

(1)  $\exists!$   $u \in C^\infty(B^{n+1}) \cap C^0(\overline{B^{n+1}})$  s.t.

$$\Delta u = 0 \text{ in } B^{n+1}, \quad u|_{\partial B^{n+1}} = \varphi.$$

(2)  $u \in C^{\alpha, \alpha}(\overline{B^{n+1}})$  for  $0 < \forall \alpha < 1$ .

If  $n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$  then  $u \in C^n(\overline{B^{n+1}})$   
generically.

Rem Uniqueness follows from the maximum principle for Riem mfd.

(cf. Petersen GTM)

Methods. Reduce to ODE theory.

① Use spherical harmonics decomp of  $\varphi$ .

② Analytize Green's function and get mapping properties of  $\Delta^{-1}$ . (We use this!)



## 2.3 Construction of approx solution

Why mapping properties of  $\Delta^{-1}$ ?

Why " $\Delta v = f$  is good  $\Rightarrow v$  is good" helps?

Prop 2.7  $\forall \varphi \in C^\infty(\partial B^{n+1}) \exists u \in C^\infty(\overline{B^{n+1}})$

s.t.

$$\Delta u = O(\rho^n), \quad u|_{\partial B^{n+1}} = \varphi.$$

(Note:  $\Delta u$  is automatically  $\in C^\infty(\overline{B^{n+1}})$ )

[Proof] Inductive arg. Construct  $u(k)$

with  $\Delta u(k) = O(\rho^{k+1}), u(k)|_{\partial B^{n+1}} = \varphi.$

Step  $k=0$  Any  $u(0)$  works.

Step  $k \geq 1$  We have  $u(k-1)$ . Try

$$u(k) = u(k-1) + v, \quad v = O(\rho^k).$$

Then

$$\Delta u(k) = \Delta u(k-1) + (k^2 - nk)v + O(\rho^{k+1})$$

and if  $k^2 - nk \neq 0$ , we can take  $v$  s.t.

$$\Delta u(k) = O(\rho^{k+1}), \quad \square$$

Step  $k=n$  can't be carried out.

## 2.4 Mapping properties via Green's fu

### 2.4.1 Function spaces on $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}$

★ Sobolev sp  $H^m$ ,  $H_\delta^m$  ( $\delta \in \mathbb{R}$ )

$$H^0 := L^2$$

$$H^m := \{ u \in L^2 \mid \nabla^j u \in L^2 \ (1 \leq j \leq m) \}$$

*defined as distribution*

$$\|u\|_{H^m}^2 := \sum_{j=0}^m \|\nabla^j u\|_{L^2}^2$$

$$H_\delta^m := \rho^\delta H^m = \{ u \mid \rho^{-\delta} u \in H^m \}$$

$\rho$  any fixed bdf e.g.  $1 - |x|^2$

$$\|u\|_{H_\delta^m} := \|\rho^{-\delta} u\|_{H^m}$$

★ Hölder sp  $C^{m,\alpha}$ ,  $C_\delta^{m,\alpha}$   $\delta \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$   $0 \leq \alpha < 1$

$$C^{m,0} := \{ u \in C^m \mid |\nabla^j u| \text{ bdd } (0 \leq j \leq m) \}$$

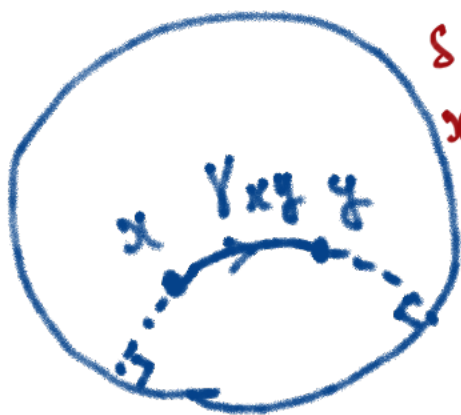
*m times continuously differentiable*



$$\|u\|_{C^{m,0}} := \sum_{j=0}^m \sup |\nabla^j u|.$$

$$C^{m,\alpha} := \left\{ u \in C^{m,0} \mid \underbrace{\nabla^m u}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \alpha\text{-H\"older cont}}} \right\}$$

$0 < \alpha < 1$



$$\sup_{\substack{x, y \in \mathbb{H}^{n+1} \\ x \neq y}} \frac{|\rho_{x \rightarrow y} \nabla^m u(x) - \nabla^m u(y)|}{d(x, y)^\alpha} < \infty$$

!!  
[ $\nabla^m u$ ] $_\alpha$

$\rho_{x \rightarrow y}$  parallel transp  
along  $\gamma_{xy}$

$$\|u\|_{C^{m,\alpha}} := \|u\|_{C^{m,0}} + [\nabla^m u]_\alpha$$

$$C_\delta^{m,\alpha} := \rho^\delta C^{m,\alpha}$$

$$\|u\|_{C_\delta^{m,\alpha}} := \|\rho^{-\delta} u\|_{C^{m,\alpha}}$$

Prop 2.8 (Global ell estimates for  $\Delta$ )

(1) Fact 2.4 (1) globalizes:

$$u \in L^2, \Delta u \in H^m \Rightarrow u \in H^{m+2}.$$

$$\|u\|_{H^{m+2}} \leq C (\|\Delta u\|_{H^m} + \|u\|_{L^2}).$$

(2) Fact 2.4 (2) globalizes similarly.

Prop. 2.8<sup>†</sup> (Weighted ————)

Prop 2.8 holds true even if

$$H^m \mapsto H^m_\delta, \quad C^{m,\alpha} \mapsto C^{m,\alpha}_\delta.$$

[Proof of Prop 2.8 (1)]

Take family  $\{B_1(x_j)\}$  s.t.

(i)  $\{B_1(x_j)\}$  covers  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}$ ,

(ii)  $\{B_2(x_j)\}$  is unit loc finite.

$\exists N \forall x$  belongs to at most  
 $N$   $B_2(x_j)$ 's

Then

$$\|u\|_{H^{m+2}} \leq C \sum_j \|u\|_{H^{m+2}}(B_1(x_j))$$

$$\leq C' \sum_j \left( \|\Delta u\|_{H^m}(B_2(x_j)) + \|u\|_{L^2}(B_2(x_j)) \right)$$

$$\leq NC'' (\|\Delta u\|_{H^m} + \|u\|_{L^2}).$$

To take  $\{B_1(x_j)\}$ : Zorn's lemma.

$\{x_j\}$  maximal collection of pts  
for which  $B_{\frac{1}{2}}(x_j)$ 's don't  
intersect.

$$N = \frac{\text{Vol}(B_{7/2})}{\text{Vol}(B_{1/2})}$$

□

## 2.4.2 Green's function

Prop 2.9 (Coerciveness estimate)

$$\frac{\eta^2}{4} \|u\|_{L^2}^2 \leq (u, -\Delta u)_{L^2},$$

$\forall u \in H^2$

[Proof] Suffices to show for  
 $u \in C_0^\infty$  because  $C_0^\infty$  is dense in  
 $H^2$ . □

Cor 2.10  $\Delta: H^2 \rightarrow L^2$  is bijective.

Hence  $\Delta^{-1}: L^2 \rightarrow H^2$  is bdd  
(by open mapping principle).

Recall: For bdd  $P$  between  
Hilbert spaces,

$$\text{ran } P \text{ closed} \iff \|u\| \leq C \|Pu\|$$

$u \in (\ker P)^\perp$

[ Proof of Cor 2.10 ]

$$\text{Prop 2.9} \rightsquigarrow \|u\|_{L^2} \leq C \|\Delta u\|_{L^2}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \ker \Delta = 0$$

$\text{ran } \Delta$  closed.

Suffices to show  $(\text{ran } \Delta)^\perp = 0$ .

□

$\Delta^{-1}: L^2 \rightarrow H^2$  in particular defines

$$G = \Delta^{-1}: C_0^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{D}' \text{ continuous sequentially}$$

Lem 2.11 (Schwartz kernel thm)

$X$  paracompact  $\mathcal{P}: C_0^\infty \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'$  seq cont

$\Rightarrow \exists K \in \mathcal{D}'(X \times X)$  s.t.

$$\langle \mathcal{P}u, v \rangle = \langle K, v \otimes u \rangle \quad u, v \in C_0^\infty$$

$$(v \otimes u)(x, y) = v(x)u(y)$$

Def 2.12  $K$  of  $G$  is the Green's function.

Formally:

$$\int P u(x) v(x) dV_x = \iint K(x, y) v(x) u(y) dV_x dV_y$$

$$\therefore P u(x) = \int K(x, y) u(y) dV_y$$

Want to prove that this makes sense for func's of some class.



## Lem 2.13

(1) " $K(x, y) = K(y, x)$ " in the sense that  $\langle K, u \otimes v \rangle = \langle K, v \otimes u \rangle$ .

(2)  $\Delta_x K(x, y) = \delta_{\text{diag}}$  where  $\langle \delta_{\text{diag}}, u \otimes v \rangle = (u, v)_{L^2}$ .

(3)  $K$  is  $C^\infty$  away from  $\text{diag}$ .

(4)  $0 \in \mathbb{H}^{n+1}$ ,  $U \subset \mathbb{H}^{n+1}$   
rel cpt nbhd of  $0$

$\Rightarrow K(0, x) \Big|_{\mathbb{H}^{n+1} \setminus U} \in L^2$ .

Our goal:

Thm 2.14 For  $-\frac{n}{2} < \delta < \frac{n}{2}$ .

(1)  $\Delta: H_{\delta}^{m+2} \rightarrow H_{\delta}^m$  invertible  
 $\forall m \geq 0$

(2)  $\Delta: C_{\frac{n}{2}+\delta}^{m+2, \alpha} \rightarrow C_{\frac{n}{2}+\delta}^{m, \alpha}$  invertible  
 $\forall m \geq 0$   
 $0 < \alpha < 1$

Inverse given by  $f \mapsto \int_{\mathbb{H}^n} K(x, y) f(y) dV_y$

To this goal —

$K(0, x)$  is rotationally inv

$\parallel$   
 $k(\rho)$

$$\rho = \frac{1-|x|}{1+|x|} = e^{-d(0, x)}$$

$(0, 1)$

Lemma 2.15

$$|k(\rho)| \leq C \rho^n$$

on  $(0, \rho_0)$

[Proof]  $\Delta_x K(0, x) = 0$  away from  $x=0$

$$\therefore \left( (\rho \partial_\rho)^2 - n \cdot \frac{1+\rho^2}{1-\rho^2} \rho \partial_\rho \right) K(\rho) = 0.$$

Using Lem 2.13 (4),

$$k(\rho) = C \int_{\frac{1-\rho}{1+\rho}}^1 \frac{(1-t^2)^{n-1}}{t^n} dt. \quad \square$$

Alternatively, a weaker inequality

$$|k(\rho)| \leq C_\varepsilon \rho^{n-\varepsilon} \quad (\forall \varepsilon > 0)$$

follows from gen theory of ODEs.

Exponent  $n$  comes from

characteristic roots.

Leun 2.16 if  $\alpha + \beta > n$ ,  $\alpha > \beta$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{H}^{n+1}} e^{-\alpha d(x,y)} e^{-\beta d(y,z)} dV_y \lesssim C e^{-\beta d(x,z)}$$

better decay
worse decay
worse decay remains true

Cor 2.17

$$f \mapsto u, \quad u(x) = \int K(x,y) f(y) dV_y$$

defines bdd operators

$$L^2_\delta \rightarrow L^2_\delta, \quad C^{0,0}_{\frac{n}{2}+\delta} \rightarrow C^{0,0}_{\frac{n}{2}+\delta}$$

for  $-\frac{n}{2} < \delta < \frac{n}{2}$ .

Thm 2.14 = Cor 2.17 + Prop 2.8 #

Cor 2.18  $0 < \alpha < 1, \quad -\frac{n}{2} < \delta < \frac{n}{2}$   
 (of Thm 2.14)  $m+2+\alpha < \frac{n}{2} + \delta$

$$f \in \rho^{\frac{n}{2} + \delta} C^{m, \alpha}(\overline{B^{n+1}})$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists! v \in C^{m+2, \alpha}(\overline{B^{n+1}})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \Delta v = f, \quad v|_{\partial B^{n+1}} = 0.$$

[Proof]

$$f \in \rho^{\frac{n}{2} + \delta} C^{m, \alpha}(\overline{B^{n+1}}) \subset C^{\frac{n}{2} + \delta, m, \alpha}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \exists v \in C^{\frac{n}{2} + \delta, m+2, \alpha} \text{ s.t. } \Delta v = f.$$

General fact:

$$C^{\frac{n}{2} + \delta, m+2, \alpha} \subset C^{m+2, \alpha}(\overline{B^{n+1}})$$

$$\text{if } m+2+\alpha < \frac{n}{2} + \delta.$$

Proof of □

Thm 2.6 is completed by Cor 2.18.

Characteristic  
root

Coerciveness  
estimate

Existence range of  
Approx sol'n

Green's fu decay  
estimate

Mapping properties  
of  $\Delta^{-1}$