

Hausaufgabe 7 (Abgabe bis Mittwoch, 28. Mai, 12 Uhr)

1. (From Gilbarg & Trudinger, “Elliptic PDEs”) Let  $u \in H^2(\Omega)$ ,  $u = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega \in C^1$ . Prove the interpolation inequality: For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\int_{\Omega} |Du|^2 dx \leq \varepsilon \int_{\Omega} (\Delta u)^2 dx + \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} \int_{\Omega} u^2 dx.$$

(1 pt)

2. (From Evans, “PDEs”) Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  have smooth boundary. Prove that  $C^{k,\alpha}(\bar{\Omega})$ ,  $k \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ , is a Banach space. (4 pt)

3. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be open and bounded. For  $p, q, r \in [1, \infty]$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{r}$  derive the generalized Hölder inequality

$$\|fg\|_{L^r(\Omega)} \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \|g\|_{L^q(\Omega)}$$

for  $f \in L^p(\Omega)$ ,  $g \in L^q(\Omega)$  from the standard Hölder inequality. (1 pt)

Analogously, derive

$$\|f_1 f_2 \cdots f_m\|_{L^r(\Omega)} \leq \|f_1\|_{L^{p_1}(\Omega)} \|f_2\|_{L^{p_2}(\Omega)} \cdots \|f_m\|_{L^{p_m}(\Omega)}$$

for  $\frac{1}{p_1} + \dots + \frac{1}{p_m} = \frac{1}{r}$ . (1 pt)

4. (From Gilbarg & Trudinger, “Elliptic PDEs”) Derive the maximum principle for harmonic functions  $u$  by considering the necessary conditions for a relative maximum. (Hint: First show that the function  $v = u + \frac{\varepsilon}{4}|x|^2$  cannot have an internal local maximum.) (2 pt)

5. Let  $u_k$  be a monotonically increasing sequence of harmonic functions on the open domain  $\Omega$ . Prove *Harnack’s convergence theorem*: If  $u_k(x_0)$  converges for an  $x_0 \in \Omega$ , then the sequence converges pointwise against a harmonic function. (3 pt)

6. Assume  $u$  is harmonic in  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . Using the mean value formula for partial derivatives of  $u$ , prove that there is a constant  $C$  such that

$$|\nabla u(x)| \leq \frac{C}{r^{n+1}} \|u\|_{L^1(B_r(x))}$$

for each ball  $B_r(x) \subset \Omega$ . (2 pt)

7. (From Gilbarg & Trudinger, “Elliptic PDEs”) Using the previous estimate, prove *Liouville’s theorem*: A harmonic function defined over  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and bounded is constant. (1 pt)