

## Lecture 23

### Dirichlet Problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
 -\Delta u &= f && \text{on } \Omega \\
 u &= 0 && \text{on } \Gamma \\
 \inf \left( \frac{1}{2} \|\nabla u\|^2 - \langle f, u \rangle \right) \\
 V &= H_0^1(\Omega), \quad Y = L^2(\Omega)^n, \quad V^* = H_0^{-1}(\Omega), \quad Y^* = Y \\
 F : V &\rightarrow R \text{ is defined by } F(u) = -\langle f, u \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$F^*(u^*) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } u^* = -f \\ \infty & \text{other wise} \end{cases}$$

$$G(p) = \frac{1}{2} \|p\|^2$$

$$G^*(p^*) = \frac{1}{2} \|p^*\|^2$$

Now P is given as:

$\inf \frac{1}{2} \|\nabla u\|^2 - \langle f, u \rangle$   
 where  $J(u, p) = \frac{1}{2} \|\nabla u\|^2 - \langle f, u \rangle$  is continuous, coercive (by Poin Care' inequality), and strictly convex which implies that P has a unique solution and P is stable  $\Rightarrow P^*$  has a solution and  $\inf P = \sup P^*$ .

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Phi(0, p^*) &= J^*(A^*p^*, -p^*) = F^*(A^*p^*) + G^*(-p^*) \\
 \Rightarrow P^* \text{ is given by: } &\sup_{p^* \in Y^*} - [F^*(A^*p^*) + G^*(-p^*)] = \sup_{A^*p^* = -f} -G^*(-p^*) = \sup_{A^*p^* = -f} -\frac{1}{2} \|p^*\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

and since  $p^* \rightarrow \|p^*\|^2$  is continuous, coercive, strictly convex,  $P^*$  has a unique solution.

**Note here that we can find the clear relation between P and P\* For the extramility condition as follows:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(\bar{u}) + F^*(A^*\bar{p}^*) &= \langle \bar{u}, A^*\bar{p}^* \rangle \Rightarrow -\langle f, \bar{u} \rangle = -\langle f, \bar{u} \rangle \text{ (trivial equation)} \\
 \text{and } G(A\bar{u}) + G^*(-\bar{p}^*) &= \langle A\bar{u}, \bar{p}^* \rangle \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{u}^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{p}^*\|^2 + \langle \bar{p}^*, \nabla \bar{u} \rangle = 0 \\
 &\Rightarrow \|\nabla \bar{u} + \bar{p}^*\|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla \bar{u} = -\bar{p}^* \\
 \inf P = \sup P^* &= -G^*(-\bar{p}^*) = -\frac{1}{2} \|\bar{p}^*\|^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \|\nabla \bar{u}\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

### The nonlinear Dirichlet Problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \inf \left( \frac{1}{\alpha} \|\nabla u\|^\alpha - \langle f, u \rangle \right) \\
 \text{with } u \in W_0^{1,\alpha}(\Omega), \quad f \in W_0^{-1,\alpha'}(\Omega), \quad \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha'} = 1 \text{ and } 1 < \alpha < \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

### Lemma:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{let } f : R \rightarrow R \text{ be defined by } f(x) &= \frac{1}{\alpha} |x|^\alpha \text{ then} \\
 f^*(y) &= \sup_{x \in R} xy - \frac{1}{\alpha} |x|^\alpha = \frac{1}{\alpha'} |y|^{\alpha'} \quad \text{and the sup occurs at } \bar{x} \\
 &\text{where } \bar{x} | \bar{x} |^{\alpha-2} = y
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof: (EFS)

$$V = W^{1,\alpha}(\Omega), \quad Y = L^\alpha(\Omega)^n, \quad Y^* = L^{\alpha'}(\Omega)^n, \quad V^* = W^{-1,\alpha'}(\Omega)$$

$$F(u) = -\langle f, u \rangle$$

$$F^*(u^*) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } u^* = -f \\ \infty & \text{other wise} \end{cases}$$

$$G(p) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \|p\|_{L^{\alpha'}(\Omega)^n}^\alpha$$

$$G^*(p^*) = \frac{1}{\alpha'} \|p^*\|_{L^{\alpha'}(\Omega)^n}^{\alpha'} \quad (\text{to show})$$

Define:  $g(\eta) = \frac{1}{\alpha} |\eta|^\alpha \Rightarrow \mathbf{g}^*(\eta) = \sup_{\eta \in Y} \eta \cdot y - g(\eta)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sup_{\eta \in Y} \eta \cdot y - \frac{1}{\alpha} |\eta|^\alpha \\ &= \sup_{\eta \in Y} \eta \cdot y - \frac{1}{\alpha} \sum |\eta_i|^\alpha \\ &= \sup_{\eta \in Y} \sum \eta_i y_i - \frac{1}{\alpha} \sum |\eta_i|^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

and by equating all partial derivative to zero we get:

$$y_i = |\eta_i|^{\alpha-1} \frac{\eta_i}{|\eta_i|} = |\eta_i|^{\alpha-2} \eta_i \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathbf{g}^*(y) = \frac{1}{\alpha'} |y|_{\alpha'}^{\alpha'}$$

i.e.  $G^*(p^*) = \frac{1}{\alpha'} \|p^*\|_{L^{\alpha'}(\Omega)^n}^{\alpha'} \quad \#$

and so  $P^*$  becomes:

$$\sup_{A^* p^* = -f} - \frac{1}{\alpha'} \|p^*\|_{L^{\alpha'}(\Omega)^n}^{\alpha'} \quad \text{note here as exactly as before (coercivity, strict convexity...)}$$

we have  $P$  has unique solution, and  $P^*$  is so.  
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