

Ex 1  $g \in \mathbb{R}^n$  radially symmetric,  $g(x) = g_0(|x|)$ .

1)  $g_0$  is  $C^2$ : Let  $r_0 \in [0, \infty)$  and  $(r_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  sequence in  $[0, \infty)$  with  $r_n \rightarrow r_0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Take any  $w \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ . Then  $r_n \cdot w \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} r_0 w$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and:

$$|g(r_n) - g(r_0)| = |g(r_n w) - g(r_0 w)| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

Moreover:  $\forall w \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ :

$$\left| \frac{g(r_n) - g(r_0)}{r_n - r_0} \right| = \left| \frac{g(r_n w) - g(r_0 w)}{r_n - r_0} \right| \stackrel{\text{diff. of } g}{=} \left| \frac{g'(r_0 w) \cdot (r_n - r_0) w}{r_n - r_0} \right| + o(1)$$

$$= |g'(r_0 w)[w]| + o(1)$$

independent of the choice of  $w \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ , as

$\Rightarrow$  limit exists and so does the derivative

$$g'(r_0 w)[w] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(r_0 w + h \cdot w) - g(r_0 w)}{h}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g((r_0 + h)w) - g(r_0 w)}{h}$$

radial symmetry  $\Rightarrow$

$$\stackrel{\text{radial symmetry}}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g((r_0 + h)\tilde{w}) - g(r_0 \tilde{w})}{h}$$

$$= g'(r_0 \tilde{w})[\tilde{w}]$$

Furthermore one has

$$g_0'(0) = g_0'(0)[w] = g_0'(0)[-w] = -g_0'(0)[w] \Leftrightarrow g_0'(0) = g_0'(0)[w] = 0 \quad (w \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1})$$

Second derivative is copying the calculation for the first one and spending one more "1".

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta g(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \partial_{x_k}^2 g(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \partial_{x_k}^2 g_0(|x|) = \sum_{k=1}^n \partial_{x_k} \left( g_0'(|x|) \cdot \frac{x_k}{|x|} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n g_0''(|x|) \cdot \frac{x_k^2}{|x|^2} + g_0'(|x|) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{|x|} - \frac{x_k^2}{|x|^3} \right) \\ &= g_0''(|x|) + \left( \frac{n}{|x|} - \frac{1}{|x|} \right) g_0'(|x|) \\ &= g_0''(|x|) + \frac{(n-1)}{|x|} g_0'(|x|) \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 2

$$f \in C(\overline{B_R(0)}), g \in C(\partial B_R(0))$$

$$\begin{cases} (-\Delta - \lambda)u = f & \text{in } B_R(0) \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial B_R(0) \end{cases}$$

i) radially symmetric solution for  $f(x) = |x|$ ,  $g(x) = R$ .

Writing (with a slight abuse of notation)  $u(x) = u(r)$  the equation reads

$$-u''(r) - (n-1) \frac{u'(r)}{r} - \lambda u(r) = r \quad , \quad \text{so for } r \in (0, R) :$$

$$-ru''(r) - (n-1)u'(r) - \lambda r u(r) = r^2$$

Making the ansatz  $u(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k r^k$  yields

$$-\sum_{k=2} \alpha_k k(k-1) r^{k-1} - \sum_{k=1} (n-1)k \cdot r^{k-1} - \lambda \sum_{k=0} \alpha_k r^{k+1} = r^2 \quad (r > 0)$$

$$= -\sum_{k=2} \alpha_k k(k-1) r^{k-1} - \sum_{k=1} \alpha_k (n-1)k \cdot r^{k-1} - \lambda \sum_{k=2} \alpha_{k-2} r^{k-1} = r^2 \quad (r > 0)$$

As  $u$  is radially symmetric:  $u'(0) = \alpha_1 = 0$

For  $k=1$  ~~the~~ the polynomial reads also  $\alpha_1 = 0$

$$(k=2 \quad -2\alpha_2 r^1 - 2\alpha_2(n-1)r - \lambda \alpha_0 r = 0)$$

$$k=3 \quad -6\alpha_3 r^2 - 3\alpha_3(n-1)r^2 - \lambda \alpha_1 r^2 = 0$$

$$k \geq 4 : -k(k-1)\alpha_k - k(n-1)\alpha_k = \lambda \alpha_{k-2} \quad \Leftrightarrow \alpha_k = \frac{-\lambda}{6+3(n-1)} = \frac{-\lambda}{3(n+1)}$$

Hence:

$$\alpha_{2k} = \left( \prod_{e=1}^k \frac{e+1}{(2-2e-n)(2e)} \right) \cdot \alpha_0 \quad k \geq 1$$

$$\alpha_{2k+1} = \left( \prod_{e=2}^{k+1} \frac{e+1}{(2-(2e+1)-n)(2e+1)} \right) \alpha_1 \quad k \geq 2$$

$$\alpha_{2k-1} = \left( \prod_{e=2}^k \frac{e+1}{(2e+n)(2e+1)} \right) \cdot \frac{(-1)^k}{3(n+1)} \quad k \geq 2$$