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Eсли $G \in \mathfrak{G}_1$, то для камсдой ограниченной непрерывной на H(G) функции f существует точно одно ограниченное решение F задачи Дирихле; имеем F = D(f).

Пусть φ — изометрическое отображение пространства E_m в E_m . Если $G \in \mathfrak{G}$ (cooms. $G \in \mathfrak{G}_0$), то и $\varphi(G) \in \mathfrak{G}$ (cooms. $\varphi(G) \in \mathfrak{G}_0$).

Eсли $G_1 \in \mathfrak{G}_0$, $G_2 \in \mathfrak{G}$, $G_1 \subset G_2$, то $G_2 \in \mathfrak{G}_0$.

Предположим, что $U \in \mathfrak{S}^m$ и что для всякого $b \in H(U)$ существует гипер-плоскость R и замкнутая сфера K с центром в R так, что $b \in R \cap K$ и что $R \cap K \cap G = \emptyset$. Тогда $U \times E_1 \in \mathfrak{S}^{m+1}$. Если, далее, $U \in \mathfrak{S}^m_1$, $A = E_m - U, *$) $G \in \mathfrak{S}^{m+1}$, $G \cap (A \times \langle 0, \infty \rangle) = \emptyset$, то $G \in \mathfrak{S}^{m+1}_1$.

Теорема 37 имеет следующий наглядный смысл:

Предположим, что $G \in \mathfrak{G}$ и что $f \in \mathfrak{D}(G)$. Пусть K — большая открытая сфера; пусть g — непрерывная функция на $H(K \cap G)$, которая равна нулю на H(K) и приблизительно равна f на H(G). Тогда функция $D(K \cap G, g)$ приблизительно равна D(G, f) на множестве $\overline{K \cap G}$.

Теорема 39 утверждает, что зависимость D(f) от f непрерывна:

Если $G \in \mathfrak{G}$, f, f_0 , f_1 , ... $\epsilon \mathfrak{D}(G)$ и если $f_n(x) \to f_0(x)$, $|f_n(x)| \leq f(x)$ $(n = 1, 2, \ldots)$ для всякого $x \in H(G)$, то $D(f_n, x) \to D(f_0, x)$ для всякого $x \in \overline{G}$

Отдел 40 содержит определение системы \mathfrak{M} , элементы которой — функции на множестве \overline{G} ($G \in \mathfrak{G}$), обладающей следующим свойством: Для каждого $f \in \mathfrak{D}(G)$ существует точно одно решение задачи Дирихле F такое, что $F \in \mathfrak{M}$; имеем F = D(f).

Summary

THE DIRICHLET PROBLEM

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Let G be an open subset of the m-dimensional Euclidean space E_m , $\emptyset \neq G \neq E_m$; let f be a (finite real) continuous function on H(G). (H(G) is the boundary, \overline{G} is the closure of G.) If a function F is continuous on \overline{G} , harmonic on G and equal to f on H(G), we say that F is a solution of the Dirichlet problem corresponding to the function f and the set G. If G is bounded, then there

^{*)} Если, напр., m=2 и если A — сегмент, то множество $U=E_2$ — A удовлетворяет всем предположениям.

exists at most one such function F. Let \mathfrak{g} be the system of all non-empty bounded open sets $G \subset E_m$ such that for each continuous function on H(G) there exists a solution of the Dirichlet problem; further, let $\mathfrak{G}^m = \mathfrak{G}$ be the system of all $G \subset E_m$ ($G \neq E_m$) such that $G \cap K \in \mathfrak{g}$ for each sufficiently large open sphere K with center 0. If $G \in \mathfrak{G}$, let $\mathfrak{D}(G)$ be the family of all functions f which are continuous on H(G) and which have the following property: There exists a non-negative function F, which is continuous on G, harmonic on G and which fulfils the relation $F(x) \geq |f(x)|$ for each $x \in H(G)$. The following assertion is an easy consequence of Theorem 13:

For each non-negative function $f \in \mathfrak{D}(G)$ ($G \in \mathfrak{G}$) there exists a smallest non-negative solution of the Dirichlet problem.

We denote this solution by D(G, f) and for an arbitrary $f \in \mathfrak{D}(G)$ put $D(G, f) = D(f) = D(f_+) - D(f_-)$, where $f_+(x) = \max(f(x), 0)$, $f_-(x) = \max(-f(x), 0)$. The function D(f) is evidently a solution of the corresponding Dirichlet problem; the values of D(f) will be denoted by D(f, x). — Theorem 23 asserts:

Let G be open in E_m , $\emptyset \neq G \neq E_m$. Suppose that there exists, for each $b \in H(G)$, a hyperplane R and a closed sphere K with center in R such that $b \in R \cap K$, $R \cap K \cap G = \emptyset$. Then $G \in \mathfrak{G}$.

Now let $\mathfrak{G}_1^m = \mathfrak{G}_1$ be the system of all $G \in \mathfrak{G}$ such that D(G, 1, x) = 1 $(x \in G)$; further put $\mathfrak{G}_0^m = \mathfrak{G}_0 = \mathfrak{G} - \mathfrak{G}_1$. In accordance with Exercise 12 we have $\mathfrak{G}_1^2 = \mathfrak{G}^2$; each bounded set $G \in \mathfrak{G}^m$ (m arbitrary) evidently belongs to \mathfrak{G}_1^m . If m > 2, then, according to Theorem 35, each set $G \in \mathfrak{G}^m$ with bounded complement belongs to \mathfrak{G}_0^m . — According to Sections 17—19 and 24—31, the following theorems hold:

If $G \in \mathfrak{G}_0$, then $\inf_{x \in G} D(f, x) = 0$ for each non-negative function $f \in \mathfrak{D}(G)$.

If $G \in \mathfrak{G}_1$, then there exists, for each bounded continuous function f on H(G), a unique bounded solution F of the corresponding Dirichlet problem, namely F = D(f).

Let φ be an isometrical mapping of E_m into E_m . If $G \in \mathfrak{G}$ (resp. $G \in \mathfrak{G}_0$), then $\varphi(G) \in \mathfrak{G}$ (resp. $\varphi(G) \in \mathfrak{G}_0$).

If $G_1 \in \mathfrak{S}_0$, $G_2 \in \mathfrak{S}$, $G_1 \subset G_2$, then $G_2 \in \mathfrak{S}_0$.

Suppose that $U \in \mathfrak{S}^m$ and that there exists, for each $b \in H(U)$, a hyperplane R and a closed sphere K with center in R such that $b \in R \cap K$, $R \cap K \cap U = \emptyset$. Then $U \times E_1 \in \mathfrak{S}^{m+1}$. If, moreover, $U \in \mathfrak{S}^m_1$, $A = E_m - U$,*) $G \in \mathfrak{S}^{m+1}$, $G \cap (A \times (0, \infty)) = \emptyset$, then $G \in \mathfrak{S}^{m+1}_1$.

Theorem 37 has the following intuitive sense:

Suppose that $G \in \mathfrak{G}$ and that $f \in \mathfrak{D}(G)$. Let K be a large open sphere; let g be a continuous function on $H(K \cap G)$, which vanishes on H(K) and approximately

^{*)} If, for example, m=2 and if A is a segment, then the set $U=E_2-A$ fulfils all the conditions.

equals f on H(G). Then the function $D(K \cap G, g)$ is approximately equal to D(G, f) on the set $\overline{K \cap G}$.

Theorem 39 asserts that D(f) depends continuously on f:

If $G \in \mathfrak{G}$, $f, f_0, f_1, \ldots \in \mathfrak{D}(G)$ and if $f_n(x) \to f_0(x)$, $|f_n(x)| \leq f(x)$ $(n = 1, 2, \ldots)$ for each $x \in H(G)$, then $D(f_n, x) \to D(f_0, x)$ for each $x \in \overline{G}$.

Section 40 contains the definition of a system \mathfrak{M} , the elements of which are functions on \overline{G} $(G \in \mathfrak{G})$ and which has the following property: For each $f \in \mathfrak{D}(G)$ there exists a unique solution F of the corresponding Dirichlet problem such that $F \in \mathfrak{M}$, namely F = D(f).