

## **LECTURE 2**

# **SCALAR BVPs WITH ONE VARIABLE COEFFICIENT (ISOTROPIC CASE)**

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# FORMULATION OF THE MIXED BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM

$\Omega = \Omega^+$  - a bounded domain in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with a simply connected boundary  $\partial\Omega^+ = S$ ;

$$\overline{\Omega^+} = \Omega^+ \cup S; \quad \Omega^- := \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \overline{\Omega^+};$$

For simplicity we assume:  $S \in C^\infty$ ;

Dissection of the boundary surface  $S = \overline{S}_D \cup \overline{S}_N$ ,  $S_D \cap S_N = \emptyset$ ,

$$\ell = \overline{S}_D \cap \overline{S}_N \in C^\infty;$$

The symbols  $\{u\}_S^\pm \equiv [u]^\pm \equiv u^\pm$  denote one-sided limits (traces) on  $S$  from  $\Omega^\pm$  ;

$n = (n_1, n_2, n_3)$  - outward unit normal vector to  $S$ ;

$W_2^r = W^r = H_2^r$  and  $H_2^s = H^s$  are  $L_2$  based Sobolev–Slobodetskii and Bessel potential function spaces ( $r \geq 0, s \in \mathbb{R}$ );

Introduce also the spaces:

$$\widetilde{H}^s(S_1) := \{f : f \in H^s(S), \text{supp } f \subset \overline{S_1}\},$$

$$H^s(S_1) := \{r_{S_1} f : f \in H^s(S)\},$$

where  $S_1$  is an open proper submanifold of  $S$ ;

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Introduce the space

$$H^{1,0}(\Omega; A) := \{v \in H^1(\Omega) : Av \in L_2(\Omega)\}$$

with the graph norm  $\|v\|_{H^{1,0}(\Omega; A)}^2 := \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 + \|Av\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2$ .

The co-normal derivative operator on  $S$  for  $u \in H^s(\Omega)$ ,  $s > \frac{3}{2}$ ,

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**For  $u \in H^{1,0}(\Omega; A)$  the generalized trace of co-normal derivative  $T^+u \in H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S)$  is correctly defined by Green's first formula,**

$$\langle T^+u, w^+ \rangle_S := \int_{\Omega} [Au w + E(u, w)] dx \quad \forall w \in H^1(\Omega), \quad (5)$$

**where**

$$E(u, w) := a(x) \partial_i u(x) \partial_i w(x),$$

**and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_S$  denotes the duality brackets between the spaces  $H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S)$  and  $H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S)$  which extends the usual  $L_2(S)$  scalar product.**

**THE MIXED BVP:** Find a function  $u \in H^{1,0}(\Omega; A) = W^{1,0}(\Omega; A)$  satisfying the conditions

$$A(x, \partial_x) u = f \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega^+, \quad (6)$$

$$r_{S_D} u^+ = \varphi_0 \quad \text{on} \quad S_D, \quad (7)$$

$$r_{S_N} T^+ u = \psi_0 \quad \text{on} \quad S_N, \quad (8)$$

where  $\varphi_0 \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_D)$ ,  $\psi_0 \in H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_N)$  and  $f \in L_2(\Omega)$ .

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**THEOREM 1.** The homogeneous version of BVP (6)-(8), i.e. with  $f = 0$ ,  $\varphi_0 = 0$ ,  $\psi_0 = 0$ , has only the trivial solution.

## PARAMETRIX BASED INTEGRAL REPRESENTATION

A function  $P(x, y)$  of two variables  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is a parametrix for the operator  $A(x, \partial_x)$  if

$$A(x, \partial_x) P(x, y) = \delta(x - y) + R(x, y), \quad (9)$$

where  $\delta(\cdot)$  is the Dirac distribution and  $R(x, y)$  possesses a weak singularity at  $x = y$ , i.e.,  $R(x, y) = \mathcal{O}(|x - y|^{-\varkappa})$  with  $\varkappa < 3$ .

For the operator  $A(x, \partial_x)$ , the function

$$P(x, y) = -\frac{1}{4\pi a(y) |x - y|}, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad (10)$$

is a parametrix (Levi function), with the remainder

$$R(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i - y_i}{4\pi a(y) |x - y|^3} \frac{\partial a(x)}{\partial x_i} = \mathcal{O}(|x - y|^{-2}). \quad (11)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega^+} [v A(x, \partial_x)u - u A(x, \partial_x)v] dx &= \\ &= \langle T^+u, v^+ \rangle_S - \langle T^+v, u^+ \rangle_S. \quad (\text{G2}) \end{aligned}$$

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Substitution  $v(x) := P(x, y)$  in Green's second identity for the domain  $\Omega^+ \setminus \overline{B(y, \varepsilon)}$  and the standard limiting procedures leads to Green's third identity,

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - VT^+u + Wu^+ = \mathcal{P}Au \quad \text{in } \Omega^+, \quad (\text{G3})$$

where  $V, W, \mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  are parametrix based single, double, volume and remainder operators:

## PARAMETRIX BASED VOLUME AND SURFACE POTENTIALS

$$\begin{aligned} Vg(y) &:= - \int_S P(x, y) g(x) dS_x = \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi a(y)} \int_S \frac{1}{|x - y|} g(x) dS_x = \frac{1}{a(y)} V_{\Delta} g(y), \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$Wg(y) := - \int_S [T(x, n(x), \partial_x) P(x, y)] g(x) dS_x, \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}g(y) &:= \int_{\Omega} P(x, y) g(x) dx = \\ &= - \frac{1}{4\pi a(y)} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{|x - y|} g(x) dx = \frac{1}{a(y)} \mathcal{P}_{\Delta} g(y), \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$\mathcal{R}g(y) := \int_{\Omega^+} R(x, y) g(x) dx. \quad (15)$$

where  $T(x, n(x), \partial) = a(x)\partial_n(x)$ .

Introduce also the boundary integral operators on  $S$  generated by the single and double layer potentials:

$$\mathcal{V}g(y) := - \int_S P(x, y) g(x) dS_x, \quad (16)$$

$$\mathcal{W}'g(y) := - \int_S [T(y, n(y), \partial_y) P(x, y)] g(x) dS_x, \quad (17)$$

$$\mathcal{W}g(y) := - \int_S [T(x, n(x), \partial_x) P(x, y)] g(x) dS_x, \quad (18)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^\pm g(y) := T^\pm \mathcal{W}g(y), \quad (19)$$

where  $y \in S$ .



Due to the structure of the parametrix

$$P(x, y) = -\frac{1}{4\pi a(y) |x - y|},$$

the parametrix-based potentials and classical harmonic and volume potentials are related by the equations:

$$\mathcal{P}g = a^{-1} \mathcal{P}_\Delta g, \quad \mathcal{R}g = -a^{-1} \partial_j [\mathcal{P}_\Delta (g \partial_j a)], \quad (20)$$

$$Vg = a^{-1} V_\Delta g, \quad Wg = a^{-1} W_\Delta (ag), \quad (21)$$

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$$\mathcal{W}'g = \mathcal{W}'_\Delta g - [a^{-1} \partial_n a] \mathcal{V}_\Delta g, \quad (23)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^\pm g = \mathcal{L}_\Delta (ag) - [a^{-1} \partial_n a] W_\Delta^\pm (ag) \quad (24)$$

where the subscript  $\Delta$  means that the corresponding surface and volume potentials are constructed by means of the harmonic fundamental solution  $P_\Delta(x - y) = \Gamma(x - y) = -(4\pi |x - y|)^{-1}$ .

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$$\mathcal{P}g = a^{-1} \mathcal{P}_\Delta g, \quad \mathcal{R}g = -a^{-1} \partial_j [\mathcal{P}_\Delta (g \partial_j a)] \quad (25)$$

and the mapping properties of the classical Newtonian potential  $\mathcal{P}_\Delta$  the following parametrix based volume and remainder operators are continuous

$$\mathcal{P} : \widetilde{H}^s(\Omega^+) \rightarrow H^{s+2}(\Omega^+), \quad s \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (26)$$

$$: H^s(\Omega^+) \rightarrow H^{s+2}(\Omega^+), \quad s > -\frac{1}{2}; \quad (27)$$

$$\mathcal{R} : \widetilde{H}^s(\Omega^+) \rightarrow H^{s+1}(\Omega^+), \quad s \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (28)$$

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$\mathcal{P}$  is a pseudodifferential operator of order  $-2$ ,

$\mathcal{R}$  is a pseudodifferential operator of order  $-1$ .

**THEOREM 2.** Let  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ . The following operators are continuous

$$\begin{aligned} V & : H^s(S) \rightarrow H^{s+\frac{3}{2}}(\Omega^+), \\ W & : H^s(S) \rightarrow H^{s+\frac{1}{2}}(\Omega^+). \end{aligned}$$

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**THEOREM 4.** Let  $g_1 \in H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S)$ , and  $g_2 \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S)$ . Then the following jump relations hold on  $S$ ,

$$[Vg_1(y)]^\pm = \mathcal{V}g_1(y), \quad y \in S, \quad (30)$$

$$T^\pm Vg_1(y) = \pm 2^{-1} g_1(y) + \mathcal{W}'g_1(y), \quad y \in S, \quad (31)$$

$$[Wg_2(y)]^\pm = \mp 2^{-1} g_2(y) + \mathcal{W}g_2(y), \quad y \in S. \quad (32)$$

## Fredholm properties of $\Psi$ DO on manifolds with boundary [Vishik-Eskin]

Let  $\bar{S}_1 \in C^\infty$  be a compact, 2-dimensional, non-self-intersecting, two-sided surface with boundary  $\partial S_1$ . Further, let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a pseudodifferential operator of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  on  $S_1$  having a uniformly positive principal homogeneous symbol, i.e.,  $\mathfrak{S}_0(\mathcal{B}; y, \xi) \geq c_0 > 0$  for  $y \in \bar{S}_1$ ,  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^2$  with  $|\xi| = 1$ , where  $c_0$  is a constant.

Then the operator

$$\mathcal{B} : \widetilde{H}^t(S_1) \rightarrow H^{t-\alpha}(S_1) \quad (33)$$

is Fredholm operator of index zero if

$$-1/2 < t - \alpha/2 < 1/2. \quad (34)$$

**THEOREM 2.** Let  $S_1$  be a nonempty, simply connected sub-manifold of  $S$  with infinitely smooth boundary curve, and  $0 < s < 1$ . Then the operator

$$r_{S_1} \mathcal{V} : \widetilde{H}^{s-1}(S_1) \rightarrow H^s(S_1) \quad (35)$$

is invertible.

**THEOREM 3.** Let  $S_1$  and  $S \setminus \overline{S_1}$  be nonempty, open, simply connected sub-manifolds of  $S$  with an infinitely smooth boundary curve, and  $0 < s < 1$ . Then

$$\mathcal{L}^+ g = \widehat{\mathcal{L}}g + (\partial_n \ln a) (-2^{-1} I + \mathcal{W}) \quad \text{on } S, \quad (36)$$

where

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}g := \mathcal{L}_\Delta^+(ag) = \mathcal{L}_\Delta^-(ag) \quad (37)$$

and  $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}$  is the principal singular part of the operator  $\mathcal{L}^+$ .

The pseudodifferential operator

$$r_{S_1} \widehat{\mathcal{L}} \equiv \mathcal{L}_\Delta^+(a \bullet) : \widetilde{H}^s(S_1) \rightarrow H^{s-1}(S_1) \quad (38)$$

is invertible.

The operator

$$r_{S_1} (\mathcal{L}^+ - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}) \equiv (\partial_n \ln a) (-2^{-1} I + \mathcal{W}) : \widetilde{H}^s(S_1) \rightarrow H^{s-1}(S_1) \quad (39)$$

is compact.



## TWO AUXILIARY LEMMAS

Return to the parametric based Green's third identity,

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - VT^+u + Wu^+ = \mathcal{P}Lu \quad \text{in } \Omega^+ \quad (\text{G3})$$

and consider its counterpart equation for some functions  $f, \Psi, \Phi$ :

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - V\Psi + W\Phi = \mathcal{P}f \quad \text{in } \Omega^+. \quad (40)$$

**AUXILIARY LEMMA 1.** Let

$$f \in L_2(\Omega^+), \quad \Psi \in H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S), \quad \Phi \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S), \quad (41)$$

and let  $u \in H^1(\Omega^+)$  solve integral equation (40).

Then  $u \in H^{1,0}(\Omega^+; A)$ ,  $Au = f$  in  $\Omega^+$ , and

$$V(\Psi - T^+u)(y) - W(\Phi - u^+)(y) = 0, \quad y \in \Omega^+. \quad (42)$$

**AUXILIARY LEMMA 2.** Let  $S = \bar{S}_1 \cup \bar{S}_2$ , where  $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$ , and

$$\Psi \in \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_1), \quad \Phi \in \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_2). \quad (43)$$

If

$$V\Psi(y) - W\Phi(y) = 0, \quad y \in \Omega^+, \quad (44)$$

then  $\Psi = 0$  and  $\Phi = 0$  on  $S$ .

**Proof of AUXILIARY LEMMA 1.** First of all let us prove that

$$u \in H^{1,0}(\Omega^+; A).$$

Indeed, since

$$Au = \Delta(au) - \sum \partial_i(u\partial_i a),$$

and the last term belongs to  $L_2(\Omega^+)$ , we need only to show that  $\Delta(au) \in L_2(\Omega^+)$ .

We have

$$au = a\mathcal{P}f - a\mathcal{R}u + aV\Psi - aW\Phi = \mathcal{P}_\Delta f - a\mathcal{R}u + V_\Delta\Psi - W_\Delta(a\Phi).$$

Note that the last two terms in the right-hand side are harmonic functions,  $\mathcal{R}u \in H^2(\Omega)$  for  $u \in H^1(\Omega)$  and  $\Delta[\mathcal{P}_\Delta(f)] = f \in L_2(\Omega^+)$ . Therefore  $Au \in L_2(\Omega^+)$ . So,  $u \in H^{1,0}(\Omega^+; A)$  and we can write Green's third identity. Thus we have two equations:

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - VT^+u + Wu^+ = \mathcal{P}Au \quad \text{in } \Omega^+, \quad (45)$$

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - V\Psi + W\Phi = \mathcal{P}f \quad \text{in } \Omega^+, \quad (46)$$

implying

$$-V\Psi^* + W\Phi^* = \mathcal{P}[Au - f] \quad \text{in } \Omega^+, \quad (47)$$

where  $\Psi^* := T^+u - \Psi$ ,  $\Phi^* := u^+ - \Phi$ . Multiplying equality (47) by  $a(y)$  we get

$$-V_\Delta\Psi^* + W_\Delta(a\Phi^*) = \mathcal{P}_\Delta[Au - f] \quad \text{in } \Omega^+. \quad (48)$$

which implies equations  $Au - f = 0$  and (42). ■

**Proof of AUXILIARY LEMMA 2.** The items (i) and (ii) are trivial. The item (iii) is equivalent to the equation (by multiplying equation (44) by  $a(y)$ )

$$V_{\Delta} \Psi - W_{\Delta}(a\Phi) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega^+.$$

Take the traces of this equation and its normal derivative on  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , respectively, to obtain

$$\begin{cases} r_{S_1} \mathcal{V}_{\Delta} \Psi - r_{S_1} \mathcal{W}_{\Delta} \hat{\Phi} = 0 & \text{on } S_1, \\ r_{S_2} \mathcal{W}'_{\Delta} \Psi - r_{S_2} \mathcal{L}_{\Delta}^+ \hat{\Phi} = 0 & \text{on } S_2, \end{cases} \quad (49)$$

where  $\hat{\Phi} = a\Phi$ . We put

$$\mathcal{K} := \begin{bmatrix} r_{S_1} \mathcal{V}_{\Delta} & -r_{S_1} \mathcal{W}_{\Delta} \\ r_{S_2} \mathcal{W}'_{\Delta} & -r_{S_2} \mathcal{L}_{\Delta}^+ \end{bmatrix}, \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi \\ \hat{\Phi} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Equation (49) then can be written as

$$\mathcal{K} X = 0. \quad (50)$$

## The operators

$$r_{S_1} \mathcal{V}_\Delta : \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_1) \rightarrow H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_1), \quad -r_{S_2} \mathcal{L}_\Delta^+ : \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_2) \rightarrow H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_2)$$

are positive definite in the following sense,

$$\langle r_{S_1} \mathcal{V}_\Delta \Psi, \Psi \rangle_{S_1} \geq c \|\Psi\|_{H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S)}^2 \quad (51)$$

$$\langle -r_{S_2} \mathcal{L}_\Delta^+ \hat{\Phi}, \hat{\Phi} \rangle_{S_2} \geq c \|\hat{\Phi}\|_{H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S)}^2 \quad (52)$$

for arbitrary  $\Psi \in \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_1)$  and arbitrary  $\hat{\Phi} \in \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_2)$ .

In addition, the operators

$$r_{S_1} \mathcal{W}_\Delta : \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_2) \rightarrow H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_1), \quad r_{S_2} \mathcal{W}'_\Delta : \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_1) \rightarrow H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_2)$$

are mutually adjoint, i.e.,  $\langle r_{S_1} \mathcal{W}_\Delta \hat{\Phi}, \Psi \rangle_{S_1} = \langle \hat{\Phi}, r_{S_2} \mathcal{W}'_\Delta \Psi \rangle_{S_2}$

for arbitrary  $\Psi \in \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_1)$  and arbitrary  $\hat{\Phi} \in \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_2)$ .

Consequently, we derive the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \mathcal{K} X, X \rangle &= \langle r_{S_1} \mathcal{V}_\Delta \Psi, \Psi \rangle_{S_1} + \langle -r_{S_2} \mathcal{L}_\Delta^+ \hat{\Phi}, \hat{\Phi} \rangle_{S_2} - \\
 &\quad - \langle r_{S_1} \mathcal{W}_\Delta \hat{\Phi}, \Psi \rangle_{S_1} + \langle \hat{\Phi}, r_{S_2} \mathcal{W}'_\Delta \Psi \rangle_{S_2} \geq \\
 &\geq c \left( \|\Psi\|_{H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S)}^2 + \|\hat{\Phi}\|_{H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S)}^2 \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

implying  $\Psi = 0, \Phi = 0$ . ■

## REDUCTION OF THE MIXED BVP TO BOUNDARY-DOMAIN INTEGRAL EQUATIONS

$$A u = f \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega^+, \quad f \in L_2(\Omega^+) \quad (53)$$

$$r_{S_D} u^+ = \varphi_0 \quad \text{on} \quad S_D, \quad \varphi_0 \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_D), \quad (54)$$

$$r_{S_N} T^+ u = \psi_0 \quad \text{on} \quad S_N, \quad \psi_0 \in H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_N). \quad (55)$$

Let  $\Phi_0 \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S)$  be a fixed extension of the given function  $\varphi_0$  from the sub-manifold  $S_D$  to the whole of  $S$ . An arbitrary extension  $\Phi \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S)$  preserving the function space can be then represented as  $\Phi = \Phi_0 + \varphi$  with  $\varphi \in \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_N)$ .

Analogously, let  $\Psi_0 \in H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S)$  be a fixed extension of the given function  $\psi_0$  from the sub-manifold  $S_N$  to the whole of  $S$ . An arbitrary extension  $\Psi \in H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S)$  preserving the function space can be then represented as  $\Psi = \Psi_0 + \psi$  with  $\psi \in \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_D)$ .



Consider Green's third formula in  $\Omega^+$  and its traces on  $S$  :

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - VT^+u + Wu^+ = \mathcal{P}Au \text{ in } \Omega^+, \quad (56)$$

$$2^{-1}u^+ + \mathcal{R}^+u - \mathcal{V}T^+u + \mathcal{W}u^+ = [\mathcal{P}Au]^+ \text{ on } S, \quad (57)$$

$$2^{-1}T^+u + T^+\mathcal{R}u - \mathcal{W}'T^+u + \mathcal{L}^+u^+ = T^+\mathcal{P}Au \text{ on } S. \quad (58)$$

Substitute here  $u^+ = \Phi_0 + \varphi$ ,  $T^+u = \Psi_0 + \psi$ , and  $Au = f$ .

We arrive at the following **BOUNDARY DOMAIN INTEGRAL EQUATION SYSTEM (BDIE)** with respect to the unknowns  $u$ ,  $\psi$ , and  $\varphi$ :

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - V\psi + W\varphi = F_0 \text{ in } \Omega^+, \quad (59)$$

$$r_{S_D} \mathcal{R}^+u - r_{S_D} \mathcal{V}\psi + r_{S_D} \mathcal{W}\varphi = r_{S_D} F_0^+ - \varphi_0 \text{ on } S_D, \quad (60)$$

$$r_{S_N} T^+\mathcal{R}u - r_{S_N} \mathcal{W}'\psi + r_{S_N} \mathcal{L}^+\varphi = r_{S_N} T^+F_0 - \psi_0 \text{ on } S_N, \quad (61)$$

where  $F_0 := \mathcal{P}f + V\Psi_0 - W\Phi_0 \in H^{1,0}(\Omega^+, A)$ .

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**Proof.** The item (i) directly follows from uniqueness theorem and Green's third formula.

Indeed, if  $u$  solves mixed BVP, then  $u \in H^{1,0}(\Omega^+)$  and Green's third formula holds,

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - VT^+u + Wu^+ = \mathcal{P}f \text{ in } \Omega^+, \quad (64)$$

which can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} u + \mathcal{R}u - V(T^+u - \Psi_0) + W(u^+ - \Phi_0) &= \\ &= \mathcal{P}f + V(\Psi_0) - W(\Phi_0) \equiv F_0 \text{ in } \Omega^+, \end{aligned} \quad (65)$$

and since  $T^+u - \Psi_0 = \psi$  and  $u^+ - \Phi_0 = \varphi$  we get the first equation of the BDIE system for the triplet  $(u, \psi, \varphi)$ ,

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - V\psi + W\varphi = F_0 \text{ in } \Omega^+. \quad (66)$$

The traces of this relation and its conormal derivative coincide with the second and the third equations of the BDIE system for the triplet  $(u, \psi, \varphi)$ .

Let now a triplet  $(u, \psi, \varphi) \in H^{1,0}(\Omega^+, A) \times \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_N)$  solve BDIE system:

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - V\psi + W\varphi = F_0 \quad \text{in } \Omega^+, \quad (67)$$

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$$r_{S_N} T^+ \mathcal{R}u - r_{S_N} \mathcal{W}'\psi + r_{S_N} \mathcal{L}^+ \varphi = r_{S_N} T^+ F_0 - \psi_0 \quad \text{on } S_N, \quad (69)$$

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Taking trace of equation (67) on  $S_D$  and subtracting equation (68) from it, we obtain,

$$r_{S_D} u^+ = \varphi_0 \quad \text{on } S_D, \quad (70)$$

i.e.  $u$  satisfies the Dirichlet condition on  $S_D$ .

Taking the co-normal derivative of equation (67) on  $S_N$  and subtracting equation (69) from it, we obtain

$$r_{S_N} T^+ u = \psi_0 \quad \text{on } S_N, \quad (71)$$

i.e.  $u$  satisfies the Neumann condition on  $S_N$ .

Equation (67) can be rewritten as

$$u + \mathcal{R}u - V(\Psi_0 + \psi) + W(\Phi_0 + \varphi) = \mathcal{P}f \quad \text{in } \Omega^+. \quad (72)$$

By **AUXILIARY LEMMA 1** we deduce that  $u$  is a solution of PDE  $A(x, \partial)u = f$  in  $\Omega^+$  and

$$V\Psi^* - W\Phi^* = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega^+, \quad (73)$$

where

$$\Psi^* = \Psi_0 + \psi - T^+u \in \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_D), \quad (74)$$

$$\Phi^* = \Phi_0 + \varphi - u^+ \in \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_N). \quad (75)$$

From (73) by **AUXILIARY LEMMA 2** we deduce  $\Psi^* = 0$  and  $\Phi^* = 0$  on  $S$ . Thus,  $u$  is a solution to the mixed BVP and

$$\psi = T^+u - \Psi_0, \quad \varphi = u^+ - \Phi_0 \quad \text{on } S, \quad (76)$$

which completes the proof. ■

**BDIE System can be rewritten in vector-matrix form**

$$\mathcal{M}\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{F}, \quad (77)$$

$$\mathcal{U} := (u, \psi, \varphi)^\top \in \mathbb{X} \equiv H^1(\Omega^+) \times \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_N), \quad (78)$$

$$\mathcal{F} = (\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2, \mathcal{F}_3)^\top \in \mathbb{Y} \equiv H^1(\Omega^+) \times H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_N), \quad (79)$$

$$\mathcal{M} := \begin{bmatrix} I + \mathcal{R} & -V & W \\ r_{S_D} \mathcal{R}^+ & -r_{S_D} \mathcal{V} & r_{S_D} \mathcal{W} \\ r_{S_N} \mathcal{T}^+ \mathcal{R} & -r_{S_N} \mathcal{W}' & r_{S_N} \mathcal{L}^+ \end{bmatrix} \quad (80)$$

**Due to the properties of the potential operators involved in (80), the followin operator is continuous:**

$$\mathcal{M} : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}.$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M} : H^1(\Omega^+) \times \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_N) &\rightarrow \\ &\rightarrow H^1(\Omega^+) \times H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_N), \quad (81) \end{aligned}$$

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**Proof.** Let us consider the upper triangular matrix operator

$$\mathcal{M}_0 := \begin{bmatrix} I & -V & W \\ 0 & -r_{S_D} \mathcal{V} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r_{S_N} \widehat{\mathcal{L}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (81)$$

where  $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}g = \mathcal{L}_{\Delta}^+(ag)$  on  $S$ .

The operator  $\mathcal{M}_0$  is a compact perturbation of the operator  $\mathcal{M}$ .

The diagonal operators are invertible

$$\begin{aligned}
 I & : H^1(\Omega^+) \rightarrow H^1(\Omega^+), \\
 r_{S_D} \mathcal{V} & : \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \rightarrow H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_D), \\
 r_{S_N} \widehat{\mathcal{L}} & : \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_N) \rightarrow H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_N).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the triangular operator

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}_0 & : H^1(\Omega^+) \times \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_N) \rightarrow \\
 & \rightarrow H^1(\Omega^+) \times H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_N) \quad (82)
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is invertible. Whence it follows that operator  $\mathcal{M}$  possesses the Fredholm property and its index is zero.

The Equivalence Theorem yields that the null-space of the operator (80) is trivial and consequently the operator  $\mathcal{M}$  in (80) is invertible.

The invertibility of the operator  $\mathcal{M}$  and the Equivalence Theorem lead to the following assertions.

**THEOREM 5.** The operator

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M} : H^{1,0}(\Omega^+; L) \times \widetilde{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times \widetilde{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_N) &\rightarrow \\ &\rightarrow H^{1,0}(\Omega^+; L) \times H^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_D) \times H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(S_N) \quad (83) \end{aligned}$$

is invertible.

**COROLLARY 6.** The mixed boundary value problem as well as the corresponding BDIE system are uniquely solvable.

**THANK YOU!**