

INTEGRAL EQUATIONS ON COMPACT MANIFOLD WITH BOUNDARY

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Abstract. Let (M^n, g, Σ) be a smooth compact Riemannian manifold with boundary and $n \geq 3$. This paper is devoted to studying a class of integral system

$$\begin{cases} g^{p\alpha-1}(x) = \int_{\Sigma} K(x, y) f(y) dS_y, & x \in M^n, \\ f^{\tilde{p}\alpha-1}(y) = \int_{M^n} K(x, y) g(x) dV_x, & y \in \Sigma, \end{cases}$$

where $\alpha \in (1, n)$, $p\alpha = \frac{2n}{n+\alpha}$, $\tilde{p}\alpha = \frac{2(n-1)}{n+\alpha-2}$, $(f, g) \in L^{\tilde{p}\alpha}(\Sigma) \times L^{p\alpha}(M^n)$ and the kernel function $K(x, y) \in C^\infty(\overline{M^n} \times \overline{M^n} \setminus \{(x, x)\})$ satisfies $K(x, y) \sim |x - y|_g^{\alpha-n}$ as $|x - y|_g \rightarrow 0$. Since the system is the Euler-Lagrange equations of extremal problem

$$N_K(\alpha, M) = \sup \left\{ \left| \int_{M^n} \int_{\Sigma} g(x) K(x, y) f(y) dS_y dV_x \right| : \|f\|_{L^{\tilde{p}\alpha}(\Sigma)} = \|g\|_{L^{p\alpha}(M^n)} = 1 \right\},$$

we will study the existence of the system by concentration-compactness principle. Firstly, we get $N_K(\alpha, M) \geq C_e(n, \alpha, \tilde{p}\alpha)$, where $C_e(n, \alpha, \tilde{p}\alpha)$ is the best constant of Hardy-Littlewood-Sobolev inequalities on the upper half space established by Dou and Zhu [6] and equals to $N_K(\alpha, M)$ when $(M^n, g, \Sigma) = (B_1(0), |\cdot|, \partial B_1(0))$ and $K(x, y) = |x - y|^{\alpha-n}$. Secondly, if $N_K(\alpha, M) > C_e(n, \alpha, \tilde{p}\alpha)$, we prove that $N_K(\alpha, M)$ is attained. Namely, under the criterion $N_K(\alpha, M) > C_e(n, \alpha, \tilde{p}\alpha)$, we get the existence of the system. Lastly, a concrete example satisfying the criterion is given. The example is closely related to the conformal problems studied by Escobar [9, 10].

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