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THE COERCIVITY OF ELLIPTIC SESQUILINEAR FORMS ON THE SOBOLEV SPACES  $[w_2^{(s)}(\Omega)]^M$ 

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In the presented work, the coercivity of elliptic bilinear forms is investigated on Sobolev spaces  $[{\tt W}_2^{(k-\theta)}(\mathfrak{L})]^{\sf M}$  and  $[{\tt W}_2^{(k+\theta)}(\mathfrak{L})]^{\sf M}$  ( $|\theta|<\frac{1}{2}$ ) which correspond to the system of linear partial differential equations of the second order.

The bilinear form is uniformly elliptic and the coefficients fulfil some conditions of smoothness.  $\Omega$  is a domain with Lipschitzian boundary. Under these assumptions it was shown, based upon the Lax-Milgram lemma, that the solution to the Dirichlet boundary value problem exists and is unique.

The work generalizes results proved in the work J. Nečas: Sur la coercivité des formes sesquilinéaires elliptiques, Rev. Math. Pures Apµl. 9(1964), 47-69.

## GENERALIZED L-SPLINES AND THE MULTI-POINT BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM

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In the dissertation, the problem of existence and convergence of splines is investigated. There are defined  ${\tt L}_\Lambda$  -splines which are a generalization of

L-splines with mixed boundary conditions. The word mixed means a linear combination of the values of the function and its derivatives at various points. As a tool of investigation of the spline interpolation, the theory of

N-point splines is used. The problem has been defined in such a way that the results may be used for the broadest classes of splines.

The realization method is as follows:

- and analysis of N-point problem by transforming it to a two-point boundary value problem for a system of linear differential equations;

- an exact answer was given to the question when the N-point problem is selfadjoint;
- simply verifiable conditions ensuring the existence and uniqueness of the solution, i.e.  $L_{\rm A}$  -splines, were found.

The results are applied to some technical examples.

We have shown that classical splines of an odd degree and L-splines are special cases of L  $_{\Lambda}$  -splines defined in this work.

The results may also be applied to other multi-point boundary value problems.

## ON A CLASS OF TORSIONFREE ABELIAN GROUPS

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The class of all purely finitely generated torsionfree Abelian groups was intensively studied in the last ten years (Butler groups). In the paper