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Zusammenfassung

In dieser Dissertation wird der Versuch unternommen, gewisse bekannte und teilweise auch neue Resultate über quasireguläre Abbildungen auf Riemannschen Mannigfaltigkeiten mit Hilfe der Theorie der Differentialformen, insbesondere mit einigen erst vor Kurzem eingeführten Klassen von Differentialformen, mit den \mathcal{WT} -Klassen, zu erzielen.

Quasireguläre, beziehungsweise quasikonforme Abbildungen in höherdimensionalen Räumen sind seit Ende der 50er Jahre Gegenstand intensiver Forschung. Die Theorie der n -dimensionalen quasiregulären Abbildungen ist für $n \geq 3$ weitgehend nichtlinear, sie hat Verbindungen zu bestimmten nichtlinearen partiellen Differentialgleichungen wie auch zur nichtlinearen Potentialtheorie.

Die \mathcal{WT} -Klassen von Differentialformen auf Riemannschen Mannigfaltigkeiten werden definiert. Differentialformen, lokal aus den Komponenten einer quasiregulären Abbildungen zusammengesetzt, fungieren als die wichtigsten Beispiele für die \mathcal{WT} -Klassen. Es kann gezeigt werden, dass diese speziellen Beispiele einer quasilinearen elliptischen Gleichung genügen. In dieser Arbeit wird auf zwei unterschiedliche Beweisführungen hingewiesen.

Der Kernpunkt dieser Arbeit ist die neue Definition der Hölder-Stetigkeit von Differentialformen auf Riemannschen Mannigfaltigkeiten. Diese Definition ist eine Verallgemeinerung der Hölder-Stetigkeit von Funktionen. Es wird gezeigt, dass ein großer Teil der Differentialformen aus den \mathcal{WT} -Klassen Hölder-stetig sind. Der Beweis beruht auf Morrey's Lemma für Differentialformen auf Riemannschen Mannigfaltigkeiten und der Abschätzung des Energieintegrals von Differentialformen aus den \mathcal{WT} -Klassen.

Curriculum vitae

On the 25th of April 1966 I was born in Berlin as the son of Rosemarie and Fritz Franke. My parents gave me the name Dirk Christoph. Three years later my parents moved to the village Durmersheim near Karlsruhe. There I absolved the primary (1972-76) and secondary school (1976-85).

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