

Partial Differential Equations Sommersemester 2019 Alexander Mielke Philipp Bringmann



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1. Approximation, 2. A priori estimate, 3. Extraction of converging subsequeunce,

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Energy conservation, weak solutions, and approximation