

# Problem sheet 3 (Sobolev spaces)

**Ex 1** (1) Assume that  $\exists c > 0$  s. that  $\forall u \in C_c^1(\mathbb{R})$   $\|u\|_{L^\infty} \leq c \|u\|_{[p]}$

Let  $f \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $u_n \in C_c^1(\mathbb{R})$   $u_n \rightarrow f$  in  $W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R})$ . Then  $u_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\|u_m - u_n\|_{L^\infty} \leq c \|u_m - u_n\|_{[p]}$

$\rightarrow u_n$  is a Cauchy seq. in  $L^\infty(\mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow$  it converges to  $f$  in  $L^\infty(\mathbb{R})$   
We conclude by convergence of the norms.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } u \in C_c^1(\mathbb{R}), x \in \mathbb{R} \quad & |u(x)|^{p-1} u(x) = G(u(x)) = \left| \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{d}{dt} G(u(t)) dt \right| = \\ & = \left| \int_{-\infty}^x G'(u(t)) u'(t) dt \right| = \underbrace{\left| \int_{-\infty}^x p |u(t)|^{p-1} u'(t) dt \right|}_{\substack{L^{p'} \\ p'}} \leq \text{Holder} \leq p \cdot \|u\|_p^{p-1} \|u'\|_p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow |u(x)| &\leq p^{\frac{1}{p}} \|u\|_p^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \|u'\|_p^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \frac{(p \|u'\|_p)}{p} + \frac{\|u\|_p}{p'} = \|u'\|_p + \frac{1}{p'} \|u\|_p \\ &\leq \|u'\|_p + \|u\|_p = \|u\|_{[p]} \end{aligned}$$

② since  $\phi \in C_c^1(\mathbb{R})$ , take  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\text{supp } \phi \subset (a, b)$

• Then  $\|u_n\|_p^p = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\phi(x+n)|^p dx = \int_a^b |\phi|^p dx \leq \|\phi\|_\infty^p \cdot (b-a)$ .

$$\|u_n'\|_p^p = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\phi'(x+n)|^p dx = \int_a^b |\phi'|^p dx \leq \|\phi'\|_\infty^p (b-a).$$

• Note that  $u_n \rightarrow 0$  a.e. and so if  $u_n \rightarrow u$  in  $L^q \Rightarrow u=0$   
 but  $\|u_n\|_q^q = \int_a^b |\phi|^q dx > 0$   $q < +\infty$ . So  $u_n \not\rightarrow 0$  in  $L^q$ .

and on the other hand  $\|u_n\|_\infty = \|\phi\|_\infty > 0$ . So  $u_n \not\rightarrow 0$  in  $L^\infty$ .

## Ex 2 (1) Case $p \in (1, +\infty)$

let  $u \in C_c^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$   $\tau_h u - u(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dt} u(x+th) dt = \int_0^1 \nabla u(x+th) \cdot h$

$$|\tau_h u(x) - u(x)|^p = \left| \int_0^1 \nabla u(x+th) dt \right|^p |h|^p \leq |h|^p \int_0^1 |\nabla u(x+th)|^p dt$$

$$\|\tau_h u - u\|_p \leq |h| \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_0^1 |\nabla u(x+th)|^p dt dx \right]^{1/p} \stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\leq} |h| \|\nabla u\|_p$$

$u \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n) \exists u_n \in C_c^1 \rightarrow u$

$$\begin{aligned} \|Z_n u - u\|_p &\leq \|Z_n u_m - Z_n u\|_p + \|Z_n u_m - u_m\|_p + \|u_m - u\|_p \leq \\ &\leq \underbrace{\|Z_n u_m - Z_n u\|_p}_{\leq \delta_0} + \underbrace{\|u_m - u\|_p}_{\leq \delta_0} + \underbrace{|\rho| \|\nabla u\|_p}_{\leq \epsilon \|\nabla u\|_p} \end{aligned}$$

Moreover if  $\bar{\Omega}$  is compact,  $\forall \omega \subset \subset \Omega$  the same argument above gives  $\textcircled{*} \|Z_n u - u\|_{L^p(\omega)} \leq |\rho| \|\nabla u\|_{L^p(\Omega)}$  for  $|\rho| < \text{dist}(\omega, \partial\Omega)$

$\textcircled{2} u \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow u \in W^{1,p}_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For all  $\bar{\Omega}$  compact  $\textcircled{*}$  holds, and as  $p \rightarrow \infty$   $\|Z_n u - u\|_{L^\infty(\omega)} \leq |\rho| \|\nabla u\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} \leq |\rho| \|\nabla u\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)}$

So for every compact  $\bar{\omega} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\forall |\rho| > 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\|Z_n u - u\|_{L^\infty(\omega)} \leq |\rho| \|\nabla u\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

$\sup_{x \in \omega} |Z_n u - u| \leq |\rho| \|\nabla u\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)} \Rightarrow$  by the arbitrariness of  $\omega \Rightarrow$

$$\|Z_n u - u\|_{L^\infty} \leq |\rho| \|\nabla u\|_{L^\infty}$$

we are using that  $\bar{\Omega}$  compact,  $f \in C^1 \cap L^\infty(\Omega) \rightarrow \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|f\|_p = \|f\|_\infty$  since

$\textcircled{1} \|f\|_p \leq \|f\|_\infty |\Omega|^{1/p} \textcircled{2} \forall M > 0 \quad A_M = \{x \in \Omega \mid |f(x)| \geq M\} \quad \|f\|_p \geq M \cdot |A_M|^{1/p}$

③ Note that  $\forall \phi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\tau_{e_i} u - u) \phi \, dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (u(x+e_i) - u(x)) \cdot \phi(x) \, dx = \text{change of variable} =$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} u(x) \cdot [\phi(x-e_i) - \phi(x)] \, dx$$

Choose  $e_i = te_i$  and divide by  $t$  (and send  $t \rightarrow 0$ )

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} u(x) \phi_{x_i}(x) \, dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} u(x) \left( \frac{\phi(x-te_i) - \phi(x)}{t} \right) \, dx =$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \frac{u(x+te_i) - u(x)}{t} \right) \cdot \phi(x) \, dx \leq \text{Holder} \leq$$

$$\leq \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|u(\cdot+te_i) - u(\cdot)\|_p}{t} \cdot \|\phi\|_{p'} \leq C \|\phi\|_{p'}$$

Consider the functional  $T: \phi \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} u(x) \phi_{x_i}(x)$ . This is continuous with respect to  $L^{p'}$  norm, we may extend to  $L^{p'}$  (by Hahn-Banach)

Note  $p' \in [1, +\infty)$ !

So by Riesz on linear continuous functional

$\downarrow$  DUAL of  $L^{p'}$  is  $L^p$  for  $p' \in [1, +\infty)$ !  
 $L^{p'}$  is associated to a  $L^p$  function.

What is  $\exists g_i \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  :  $T(\phi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi g_i dx \quad \forall \phi \in C_c^\infty$   
 in particular  $\forall \phi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$   
 $\Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi g_i = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi x_i u \Rightarrow g_i = -u x_i$  in weak sense  
 $\|g_i\|_p \leq C \quad u \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Es 3 Let  $u \in C_c^2(U)$

$$\|\nabla u\|_2^2 = \int_U \nabla u \cdot \nabla u dx := \text{divergence theorem} = \text{(applied to } u \nabla u)$$

$$= - \int_U u \cdot \Delta u + \int_{\partial U} u \cdot \nabla u \cdot \vec{n} dS = - \int_U u \Delta u \leq \text{Hölder} \leq \|u\|_2 \|\Delta u\|_2$$

since  $u$  has compact support

Let  $u \in H^2(U) \cap H_0^1(U)$   $\exists u_m \in C_c^\infty(U)$  such that  $u_m \rightarrow u$  in  $H^1$ .  
 $\exists v_m \in C^\infty(\bar{U})$  such that  $v_m \rightarrow u$  in  $H^2$ .

$$\int_U \nabla u_m \cdot \nabla v_m = - \int_U u_m \cdot \Delta v_m + \int_{\partial U} u_m \cdot \nabla v_m \cdot \vec{n} dS = - \int_U u_m \cdot \Delta v_m$$

$\llcorner_0$  since  $u_m \in C_c^\infty(U)$

$$\int_0 \nabla u_n \cdot \nabla v_n = \int_0 (\nabla u_n - \nabla u) \cdot (\nabla v_n - \nabla u) + \int_0 \nabla u \cdot \nabla v_n + \int_0 \nabla u \cdot \nabla u$$

$$- \int_0 \nabla u \cdot \nabla u \rightarrow \int_0 \nabla u \cdot \nabla u = \int_0 |\nabla u|^2 dx = \|\nabla u\|_2^2$$

$\nabla u_n \rightarrow \nabla u$      $\nabla v_n \rightarrow \nabla u$  in  $L^2$ !

$$\int u_n \Delta v_n = \int (u_n - u) \cdot (\Delta v_n - \Delta u) + \int u_n \Delta u + \int u \Delta v_n +$$

$$- \int u \Delta u \rightarrow \int u \cdot \Delta u.$$

$u_n \rightarrow u$  in  $L^2$      $\Delta v_n \rightarrow \Delta u$  in  $L^2$