

## Harmonic analysis and applications

Homework Sheet 11

(Discussed on 19.7.2023)

**E11.1.** (Rising sun lemma, a precursor of the Calderón–Zygmund decomposition). Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. Let

$$S = \{x \in [a, b] : \sup_{y>x} f(y) > f(x)\}.$$

(Note that  $b \notin S$ .) Prove that  $E = S \cap (a, b)$  can be decomposed into disjoint open interval  $\{(a_k, b_k)\}_k$  such that for all  $k$ :

- $f(x) < f(b_k)$  for all  $x \in (a_k, b_k)$ ;
- If  $a_k \neq a$ , then  $f(a_k) = f(b_k)$ ; otherwise,  $a_k = a$  and  $f(a) < f(b_k)$ .

**E11.2.** (An alternative version of the Calderón–Zygmund decomposition). Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $\alpha > 0$ . Prove that we can find disjoint cubes  $\{Q\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and a decomposition

$$f = g + \sum_Q b_Q$$

satisfying there properties:

- $|g(x)| \leq 2^d \alpha$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ;
- For every cube  $Q$ ,

$$\text{supp } b_Q \subset Q, \quad \int_Q b_Q = 0, \quad \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |b_Q| \leq 2^{d+1} \alpha.$$

- $\sum_Q |Q| \leq 2^d \alpha^{-1} \|f\|_{L^1}$ .

**E11.3.** (Littlewood-Paley dyadic decomposition) Let  $\psi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $\psi(x) = 1$  if  $|x| \leq 1$  and  $\psi(x) = 0$  if  $|x| \geq 2$ . Define

$$\varphi_0(x) = \psi(x), \quad \varphi_n(x) = \psi(2^{-n}x) - \psi(2^{-n+1}x) \quad \forall n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Let  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Define  $\hat{f}_n = \varphi_n(k) \hat{f}(k)$ .

- Prove that  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty \varphi_n = 1$ . Deduce that  $f = \sum_{n=0}^\infty f_n$ .
- Prove that for all  $n \geq 0$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty]$ , there exists  $C > 0$  independent of  $f$  such that

$$\sup_n \|f_n\|_{L^p} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p}.$$

- Prove that the operator  $S : L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  defined as follows is bounded:

$$S(f)(x) = \left( \sum_{n=0}^\infty |f_n(x)|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

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Homework Sheet 10

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**E10.1.** (a) Let  $t, \alpha \in (0, \infty)$ . Prove the following decay of Bessel's function

$$\left| \int_0^{2\pi} e^{it \cos(x)} e^{-imx} dx \right| \leq Cmt^{-1/2}$$

for a constant  $C > 0$  independent of  $m$  and  $t$ . Here  $i^2 = -1$ .(b) Let  $\mathbb{1}_B$  is the indicator function of the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Prove that

$$|\hat{\mathbb{1}}_B(k)| \leq C_d |k|^{-\frac{d+1}{2}}.$$

**E10.2.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  be an irrational number and  $m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . Prove that the sequence  $\{\alpha k - [\alpha k]\}_{k=1}^\infty$  is equidistributed on  $[0, 1)$ .**E10.3.** (a) Prove that

$$e^{-2t} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty e^{-y-t^2/y} \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y}}.$$

(b) Let  $f(x) = e^{-2\pi|x|}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Prove that

$$\hat{f}(k) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{d+1}{2})}{\pi^{\frac{d+1}{2}}} \frac{1}{(1 + |k|^2)^{\frac{d+1}{2}}}.$$

(c) Using Poisson's summation formula for  $d = 1$  to compute

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + k^2}.$$

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(Discussed on 7.7.2023)

**E9.1.** Consider Poisson equation  $-\Delta u(x) = f(x)$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Prove that if  $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , then  $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

Hint: In the lecture we discussed the case when  $f$  is compactly supported.

**E9.2.** Using the Fourier transform to prove Sobolev's embedding theorem  $H^k(\mathbb{R}^d) \subset C(\mathbb{R}^d)$  if  $k > d/2$ .

**E9.3.** Let  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Consider the solution to the heat equation

$$u(t, x) = (e^{t\Delta} f)(x) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{d/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{-\frac{|x-y|^2}{4t}} f(y) dy, \quad t > 0.$$

(a) Prove that for every  $t > 0$ , we have  $u(t, \cdot) \in H^k(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for all  $k \geq 1$ .

(b) Prove that  $\|u(t, \cdot) - f\|_{L^2} \rightarrow 0$  when  $t \rightarrow 0$ .

(c) Assume further that  $f \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Prove that  $\|u(t, \cdot) - f\|_{L^2} \leq \|f\|_{H^1} \sqrt{t}$ .

**E9.4.** Let  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $e^{T|2\pi k|^2} \hat{f}(k) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

(a) Prove that the function  $u(t, x)$  defined by  $\hat{u}(t, k) = e^{(T-t)|2\pi k|^2} \hat{f}(k)$ , is the solution to the backward heat equation

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u(t, x) = \Delta_x u(t, x), & t \in (0, T), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u(T, x) = f(x). \end{cases}$$

(b) Given function  $f_\varepsilon \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $\|f - f_\varepsilon\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq \varepsilon$ . Define  $u_\varepsilon(t, x)$  by

$$\hat{u}_\varepsilon(t, k) = e^{(T-t)|2\pi k|^2} \hat{f}_\varepsilon(k) \mathbb{1}_{\{|k| \leq L_\varepsilon\}}, \quad L_\varepsilon = |\log \varepsilon|^{1/4}.$$

Prove that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \|u_\varepsilon(t, \cdot) - u(t, \cdot)\|_{L^2} = 0, \quad \forall t \in [0, T].$$

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(Discussed on 28.6.2023)

**E8.1.** Let  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  satisfies that  $\hat{f}$  is compactly supported. Prove that

$$D^\alpha f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

for every multi-index  $\alpha$ .

**E8.2.** Let  $N, d \geq 1$  and  $\mathbf{i}^2 = -1$

(a) Find the function  $f_N : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\hat{f}(k) = e^{-\pi|k|^2(1+\mathbf{i}N)}.$$

(b) Prove that for all  $p > 2$  and  $R > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|f_N\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)}}{\|\hat{f}_N\|_{L^1(B(0,R))}} = 0.$$

(c) Prove that for all  $p > 2$ , there exists a function  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $\hat{f} \notin L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

**E8.3.** Let  $d \geq 1$ . Recall that  $\widehat{e^{-\pi|x|^2}} = e^{-\pi|k|^2}$ .

(a) Prove that

$$\widehat{e^{-\pi\lambda|x|^2}} = \lambda^{-d/2} e^{-\pi\lambda^{-1}|k|^2}, \quad \forall \lambda > 0.$$

(b) Let  $0 < \alpha < d$ . Prove that

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-\pi\lambda|x|^2} \lambda^{\alpha/2-1} d\lambda = \frac{c_\alpha}{|x|^\alpha}, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\}.$$

where

$$c_\alpha = \pi^{-\alpha/2} \Gamma(\alpha/2) = \pi^{-\alpha/2} \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{\alpha/2-1} d\lambda.$$

(c) Prove that for all  $0 < \alpha < d$ ,

$$c_\alpha \widehat{|x|^{-\alpha}} = c_{d-\alpha} |k|^{-(d-\alpha)}.$$

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Homework Sheet 7

(Discussed on 21.6.2023)

**E7.1.** Prove that  $f(x) = e^x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , is not a tempered distribution.

**E7.2.** Recall that given a vector space  $V$  and a countable family of semi-norms  $\{\rho_k\}_k$ ,  $(V, \{\rho_k\})$  is called a Fréchet space if  $V$  is a complete metric space with respect to the metric

$$d(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-k} \frac{\rho_k(x - y)}{1 + \rho_k(x - y)}.$$

- Verify that  $d$  defines a metric on  $V$ .
- Given any compact set  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , show that  $(C_0^\infty(K), \{\rho_\beta\})$  with  $\rho_\beta(\phi) = \sup_{x \in K} |\partial^\beta \phi|$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$ , is a Fréchet space.
- Prove that  $(\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d), \{\rho_{\alpha, \beta}\})$  with  $\rho_{\alpha, \beta}(\phi) = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} |x^\alpha \partial^\beta \phi|$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$ , is a Fréchet space.

**E7.3.** Recall that the set of finite measures lies in  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , and that one such example is the Dirac delta function  $\delta(\phi) = \phi(0)$ .

- Let  $\mu$  be a positive measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{d\mu}{(1 + |x|)^k} < \infty$$

for some  $k > 0$ . Show that  $\mu: \phi \mapsto \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi d\mu$  defines a tempered distribution.

- Show that the derivative of the Dirac delta distribution,  $\delta' \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , doesn't come from a measure.

**E7.4.** Calculate the Fourier transform of the following functions in the sense of tempered distributions in  $\mathbb{R}$ :

- $f(x) = \mathbf{1}_{[a, b]}(x)$  for any  $-\infty < a < b < \infty$ ,
- $f(x) = \frac{\sin x}{x}$ ,
- $f(x) = \operatorname{sech}(\pi x)$ ,
- $f(x) = 1/|x|^r$  with  $r \in (0, 1)$ .

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(Discussed on 7.6.2023)

**E6.1.** Consider the step function  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  given by

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \mathbb{1}_{A_i}(x)$$

where  $\alpha_i \geq 0$  and  $A_1 \supseteq A_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq A_N$ . Denote  $A_0 = \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A_{N+1} = \emptyset$ . Prove that

$$f_*(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N \left( \sum_{i \leq j} \alpha_i \right) \mathbb{1}_{[|A_{j+1}|, |A_j|)}(t), \quad f_{**}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \min(|A_i|, t).$$

**E6.2.** Let  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$  and  $d \geq 1$ .

(a) Prove that for all  $\lambda > 0$ ,

$$\|f_\lambda\|_{L^{p,q}} = \|f\|_{L^{p,q}}, \quad \text{where } f_\lambda(x) = \lambda^{d/p} f(\lambda x), x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

(b) Assume further that  $q < d$ , and that we have the inequality

$$\|f_\lambda\|_{L^{p,q}} \leq C \|f\|_{W^{1,q}} = C (\|\nabla f\|_{L^q}^q + \|f\|_{L^q}^q)^{1/q}, \quad \forall f \in W^{1,q}(\mathbb{R}^d),$$

for a constant  $C = C(d, p, q) > 0$  independent of  $f$ . Prove that  $p \leq q^* = dq/(d - q)$  and

$$\|f\|_{L^{q^*,q}} \leq C \|\nabla f\|_{L^q}, \quad \forall f \in W^{1,q}(\mathbb{R}^d),$$

with the same constant  $C$ .

**E6.3.** Let  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$  and  $d \geq 1$ . Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and denote  $c_k = 2^{k/p} f^*(2^k)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Prove that

$$C^{-1} \|\{c_k\}\|_{\ell^q(\mathbb{Z})} \leq \|f\|_{L^{p,q}} \leq C \|\{c_k\}\|_{\ell^q(\mathbb{Z})}$$

for a constant  $C = C(p, q, d) > 0$  independent of  $f$ .

**E6.4.** (Keel-Tao's Atomic decomposition) Let  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$  and  $d \geq 1$ . Prove that  $f \in L^{p,q}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  if and only if it satisfies the pointwise inequality

$$|f(x)| \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} 2^{-k/p} c_k \mathbb{1}_{A_k}(x)$$

where  $|A_k| \leq 2^k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\{c_k\}_k \in \ell^q(\mathbb{Z})$ .

Hint: Consider  $c_k = 2^{k/p} f^*(2^k)$  and  $A_k = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : f_*(2^{k+1}) < |f(x)| \leq f_*(2^k)\}$ .

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(Discussed on 31.5.2023)

**E5.1.** For  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , recall that  $f_* : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is the decreasing arrangement such that  $|\{|f| > t\}| = |\{f_* > t\}|$  for all  $t > 0$ . Prove the Hardy–Littlewood rearrangement inequality

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x)g(x)dx \right| \leq \int_0^\infty f_*(t)g_*(t)dt.$$

(Note: In the lecture we proved a similar statement for  $f^* : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ .)

**E5.2.** Let  $f, f_n : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be measurable such that when  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we have  $f_n(x) \uparrow f(x)$  for a.e.  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

- (a) Prove that  $(f_n)_*(t) \uparrow f_*(t)$  for all  $t > 0$ .
- (b) Prove that if  $f \in L^{p,q}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  with  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$ , then  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in  $L^{p,q}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

**E5.3.** Let  $1 \leq p_0 < p < p_1 \leq \infty$  and  $0 < q \leq \infty$ . Prove that

$$(L^{p_0, \infty} \cap L^{p_1, \infty}) \subset L^{p,q}.$$

(Note: We proved this result before when  $q = p$ .)

**E5.4.** Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Recall that we proved  $L^{p,q} \subset L^{p,r}$  for all  $q > r$ . Now we prove that the inclusion is strict.

- (a) Consider  $f(x) = |x|^{-d/p}$ . Prove that  $f \in L^{p,\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  but  $f \notin L^{p,q}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for any  $q < \infty$ .
- (b) Let  $q < \infty$ . Consider

$$g(x) = |x|^{-d/p} |\log |x||^{-1/q} \mathbf{1}_{B(0,1/2)}(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

Prove that  $g \in L^{p,r}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for all  $r > q$ , but  $g \notin L^{p,q}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

**E5.5.** Let  $|\Omega| < \infty$  and  $1 \leq p_0 < p_1 \leq \infty$  and  $0 < q_0, q_1 \leq \infty$ . Prove that

$$L^{p_1, q_1}(\Omega) \subset L^{p_0, q_0}(\Omega).$$

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Homework Sheet 4

(Discussed on 24.5.2023)

**E4.1.** Let  $K : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  satisfy

$$\sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |K(x, y)|^2 dx \leq 1, \quad \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |K(x, y)| dy \leq 1.$$

Let  $1 \leq p \leq 2$  and  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$ . Prove that  $T : L^p(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  defined by

$$(Tf)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} K(x, y)f(y)dy.$$

is a linear bounded operator with operator norm  $\|T\|_{L^p \rightarrow L^{p'}} \leq 1$ .

**E4.2.** Recall the Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem: “If  $T$  is quasi-linear and  $\|T\|_{L^p \rightarrow L_w^p} \leq 1$ ,  $\|T\|_{L^q \rightarrow L_w^q} \leq 1$ , then  $\|T\|_{L^r \rightarrow L^r} \leq C$  for all  $1 \leq p < r < q \leq \infty$ .” In the lecture, we have proved this theorem for  $q < \infty$ . Now complete the proof for  $q = \infty$ .

**E4.3.** Let  $d \geq 1$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$  and  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$ . Prove that  $f \in L^{p, \infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  if and only if

$$\|f\| = \sup \left\{ \frac{1}{|E|^{1/p'}} \int_E |f| \mid E \subset \mathbb{R}^d, 0 < |E| < \infty \right\} < \infty.$$

Moreover, prove that  $\|f\|$  defines a norm which is equivalent to the quasi-norm  $L^{p, \infty}$ .

**E4.4.** Let  $K : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  satisfy

$$\sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^d} \|K(\cdot, y)\|_{L^{2, \infty}} \leq 1.$$

Prove that  $T : L^1(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L^{2, \infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  defined by

$$(Tf)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} K(x, y)f(y)dy.$$

is a linear bounded operator.

**E4.5.** For every  $N \geq 1$  define  $F_N : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$F_N(x) = \frac{1}{N \ln N} \sum_{k=1}^N |x - kN^{-1}|^{-1}$$

Prove that  $F_N$  does not converge to 0 in  $L^{1, \infty}$  when  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .



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Homework Sheet 3

(Discussed on 17.5.2023)

In the following, we always assume let  $(\Omega, \mu)$  be a sigma-finite measure space.

**E3.1.** Consider Young's inequality

$$\|f * g\|_{L^r} \leq \|f\|_{L^p} \|g\|_{L^q}, \quad \forall f \in L^p, g \in L^q, \quad 1 \leq p, q, r \leq \infty, \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{r}.$$

Assume that we have proved Young's inequality for  $p = 1$  and  $p = q'$ . Use the Riesz–Thorin interpolation inequality to conclude Young's inequality in the general case  $1 \leq p \leq q'$ .

**E3.2.** Prove that for every  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $f \in L^p(\Omega)$ , we have

$$\|f\|_{L^p} = \sup \left\{ \int_{\Omega} |fg| \mid g \text{ a step function, } \|g\|_{L^{p'}} = 1 \right\}, \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1.$$

You can use the fact that step functions are dense in  $L^r(\Omega)$  with  $1 \leq r < \infty$ .

**E3.3.** Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$  and  $f_n, f \in L^p_{\text{w}}(\Omega)$ .

- (a) Prove that if  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in  $L^p$ , then  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in  $L^p_{\text{w}}$ .
- (b) Prove that if  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in  $L^p_{\text{w}}$ , then up to a subsequence,  $f_n \rightarrow f$  pointwise.
- (c) Prove that if  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in  $L^p_{\text{w}}$ , and  $\|f_n\|_{L^q} \leq 1$ , then  $f \in L^q$  and  $\|f\|_{L^q} \leq 1$ .

Recall that the weak- $L^p$  norm is defined as

$$\|f\|_{L^p_{\text{w}}} = \sup_{\lambda > 0} \lambda |\{x : |f(x)| > \lambda\}|^{1/p}.$$

**E3.4.** Let  $1 \leq p < r < q \leq \infty$ .

- (a) Prove that  $L^r_{\text{w}} \subset L^p + L^q$ .
- (b) Prove that if  $L^r \subset L^p_{\text{w}} \cap L^q_{\text{w}}$ , and

$$\|f\|_{L^r} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p_{\text{w}}}^{\theta} \|f\|_{L^q_{\text{w}}}^{1-\theta}$$

for constants  $\theta \in (0, 1)$  and  $C > 0$  depending only on  $p, q, r$  (but independent of  $f$ ).

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Homework Sheet 2

(Discussed on 10.5.2023)

**E2.1** (A Vitali type covering lemma leading to constant  $2^d$  in  $L_w^1$  maximal inequality, formulated by Rupert Frank). Let  $X$  be a metric space and let  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a finite collection of open balls in  $X$ . Prove that there exists a sub-collection  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I'}$  of disjoint balls such that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} (\varepsilon B_i) \subset \bigcup_{i \in I'} ((2 + \varepsilon) B_i)$$

where we denoted  $\lambda B(x, r) = B(x, \lambda r)$ .

**E2.2** (Lebesgue differentiation theorem) In the lecture we already proved that for all  $f \in L_c^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{|B(x, r)|} \int_{B(x, r)} f(y) dy = f(x), \quad a.e. \ x.$$

Prove that this holds for all  $f \in L_{loc}^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

**E2.3** Consider the function  $f(x) = \mathbf{1}_{B(0,1)}(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

(a) Prove that

$$\frac{1}{(|x| + 1)^d} \leq Mf(x) \leq \frac{C_d}{(|x| + 1)^d}, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

(b) Prove that

$$M(Mf)(x) \leq \frac{C_d \log(e + |x|)}{(1 + |x|)^d}$$

Argue directly that  $Mf$  and  $M(Mf)$  belong to  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for all  $p > 1$ .

**E2.4** (A generalization of maximal function) Let  $h \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be a non-negative radially symmetric decreasing function. Define  $h_r(x) = r^d h(rx)$ . Prove that for all  $0 \leq f \in L_{loc}^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$

$$\sup_{r > 0} (f * h_r)(x) \leq \|h\|_{L^1} Mf(x).$$

**E2.5** (A generalization of Fefferman - de la Llave decomposition) Let  $h \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be a non-negative radial function. Prove that for every  $0 < \lambda < d$ , there exist  $s = s(d, \lambda) \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $C = C(h, d, \lambda) > 0$  such that for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $x \neq y$  we have

$$\frac{1}{|x - y|^\lambda} = C \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(t(z - x)) h(t(z - y)) r^s dz dr.$$

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Homework Sheet 1

(Discussed on 3.5.2023)

**E1.1** (Counterexample for Fubini theorem when the  $\sigma$ -finiteness is missing). Let  $\Omega_1 = \Omega_2 = (0, 1)$ , let  $\mu_1$  be the Lebesgue measure and let  $\mu_2$  be the counting measure. Take  $f : \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with

$$f(x, y) = \mathbb{1}_{\{x=y\}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = y, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Prove that

$$\int_{\Omega_1} \left( \int_{\Omega_2} f(x, y) d\mu_2(y) \right) d\mu_1(x) \neq \int_{\Omega_2} \left( \int_{\Omega_1} f(x, y) d\mu_1(x) \right) d\mu_2(y).$$

**E1.2** (The Brezis-Lieb lemma). Let  $1 < p < \infty$ .

(a) Prove that for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $C_\varepsilon > 0$  depending only on  $\varepsilon$  and  $p$  such that

$$\left| |a|^p - |b|^p - |a - b|^p \right| \leq \varepsilon |a|^p + C_\varepsilon |b|^p, \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{C}.$$

(b) Let  $(\Omega, \mu)$  be a measure space. Let  $f_n \in L^p(\Omega)$  such that  $\|f_n\|_p \leq C$  for all  $n$ . Prove that if  $f_n \rightarrow f$  a.e. as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  then

$$\int_{\Omega} \left| |f_n(x)|^p - |f(x)|^p - |f_n(x) - f(x)|^p \right| d\mu(x) \rightarrow 0.$$

**E1.3** (Dual version of Hölder's inequality) Let  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ , and  $f \in L^p(\Omega)$ .

Prove that

$$\|f\|_p = \sup_{g \in L^q(\Omega), g \neq 0} \frac{\left| \int_{\Omega} fg \right|}{\|g\|_q} = \sup_{\|g\|_q=1} \left| \int_{\Omega} fg \right|$$

(You can use Hölder's inequality  $\left| \int_{\Omega} fg \right| \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$ .)

**E1.4** (Dual space of  $L^1$ ). Recall the Riesz representation theorem:  $(L^p(\Omega))^* = L^q(\Omega)$  for all  $1 < p, q < \infty$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ .

(a) Let  $(\Omega, \mu)$  be a measurable space such that  $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$ . Prove that for every  $p > 1$ ,  $L^p(\Omega)$  is a dense subset of  $L^1(\Omega)$ .

(b) Use (a) and the Riesz representation theorem for  $p > 1$  to show that  $(L^1(\Omega))^* = L^\infty(\Omega)$ .

(c) Prove that if  $(\Omega, \mu)$  is  $\sigma$ -finite, then  $(L^1(\Omega))^* = L^\infty(\Omega)$ .