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Homework Sheet 5

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E5.1 Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a bounded domain with Lipschitz boundary. Recall that

$$\overset{\circ}{W}{}^1_p(\Omega) = \{u \in W^1_p(\Omega) \,|\, u_{|\partial\Omega} = 0\}, \quad 1 < p < \infty.$$

(a) Prove that $\overset{\circ}{W}{}^1_p(\Omega)$ is a closed subspace of $W^1_p(\Omega)$.

(b) Prove that if $u \in W^1_p(\Omega)$, then $u \in \overset{\circ}{W}{}^1_p(\Omega)$ if and only if for all $\varphi \in C^\infty_c(\mathbb{R}^d)$ we have

$$\max_{i=1,\dots,d} \left| \int_\Omega u \partial_{x_i} \varphi(x) \mathrm{d}x \right| \leq C \|\varphi\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d)}$$

where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$ and the constant C is independent of φ.

E5.2 Let $k > d \geq 1$ and $1 < p < \infty$. Define the Dirac delta mapping $\delta_0 : W^k_p(\mathbb{R}^d) \to \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\delta_0(f) = f(0), \quad \forall f \in W^k_p(\mathbb{R}^d).$$

(a) Prove that $\delta_0 \in W^{-k}_p(\Omega)$.

(b) Prove that $\delta_0 \notin L^1_{\mathrm{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$.

E5.3 Let $f \in L^2(0,1)$ and let $u \in V = W^1_2(0,1)$ be the unique solution to the variational problem

$$\int (u'v' + uv) = \int_0^1 fv, \quad \forall v \in V$$

(the existence of u was proved in the lecture).

(a) Prove that $u \in W^2_2(0,1)$ and the weak derivative u'' solves the equation

$$-u''(x) + u(x) = f(x), \quad a.e. \quad x \in (0,1).$$

(b) Prove that $u'(0) = u'(1) = 0$.

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Homework Sheet 4

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E4.1 Consider the function $f : (-1,1) \to \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x < 0 \\ 1, & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

(a) Prove that

$$\inf_{g \in C(-1,1)} \|g - f\|_{L^\infty(-1,1)} = 1/2.$$

(b) Does f has a weak derivative f' in $L^1(-1,1)$?

E4.2 Let $u \in W_1^2(0,1)$ with $u(0) = u'(0) = 0$. Prove that $v(x) = u(x)/x$ belongs to $W_1^1(0,1)$. What is $v(0)$?

E4.3 As in the lecture, we consider

$$Q = \{(x', x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{R} \,|\, |x'| < 1, |x_d| < 1\}, \quad Q_+ = \{(x', x_d) \in Q \,|\, x_d > 0\}.$$

For any function $f : Q_+ \to \mathbb{R}$, we define $f^*, \widetilde{f} : Q \to \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f^*(x', x_d) = \begin{cases} f(x', x_d), & x_d > 0 \\ f(x', -x_d), & x_d \le 0 \end{cases}, \quad \widetilde{f}(x', x_d) = \begin{cases} f(x', x_d), & x_d > 0 \\ -f(x', -x_d), & x_d \le 0 \end{cases}$$

Prove that if $u \in W_p^1(Q_+)$ with $1 \le p \le \infty$, then we have the weak derivative

$$\frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x_d} = \widetilde{\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x_d}\right)}$$

E4.4 Let $u \in W_p^1(0,1)$ with $1 < p < \infty$ such that $u(0) = u(1) = 0$. We define the extension $\tilde{u} : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\tilde{u}(x) = \begin{cases} u(x), & x \in (0,1), \\ 0, & x \notin (0,1). \end{cases}$$

Prove that $\tilde{u} \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R})$ and $\|\tilde{u}\|_{W_p^1(\mathbb{R})} = \|u\|_{W_p^1(0,1)}$.

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Homework Sheet 3

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E3.1 Show that $C^1(0,1)$ is not dense in L^∞, with L^∞ norm.

E3.2 Let $f \in W^{1,1}(0,1) \cap C([0,1])$. Assume that we can find $\{f_n\} \subset C_c^\infty(0,1)$ such that $f_n \to f$ in $W^{1,1}(0,1)$. Prove that $f(0) = f(1) = 0$. Deduce that $C_c^\infty(0,1)$ is not dense in $W^{1,1}(0,1)$.

E3.3 Construct a function in $W^{1,2}(0,1)$, but not in $W^{2,2}(0,1)$ and explain the answer.

E3.4 Let $\Omega = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, 0 < x < 1, |y| < x^{10}\}$ and define

$$u(x,y) = x^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$$

(i) Prove that $u \in L^2(\Omega)$.

(ii) Prove that the weak derivatives $\partial_x u$, $\partial_y u$ exist and determinate them.

(iii) Prove that $u \in W^{1,2}(\Omega)$ and $u \notin L^\infty(\Omega)$.

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Homework Sheet 2

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E2.1 In the lecture, we proved that if $f \in L^1_{\mathrm{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f\varphi = 0$ for all $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ then $f = 0$ a.e. Prove the same result with $\mathbb{R}^d$ replaced by a general open subset $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$.

E2.2 In this exercise we consider functions mapping from $\Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ with $\Omega = (-1, 1)$.

(i) Prove that $f(x) = |x|^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1$ has a weak derivative in $L^1_{\mathrm{loc}}(\Omega)$.

(ii) Is there a weak derivative in $L^1_{\mathrm{loc}}(\Omega)$ of the following function?

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 0, \\ -1 & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

E2.3 Consider the Cantor set $C_\infty = \bigcap_{k=1}^\infty C_k$, where C_k satisfy the following recurrence

$$C_0 = [0, 1], \quad C_{k+1} = \frac{1}{3}C_k \cup \left\{\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}C_k\right\}, k \geq 1.$$

Define $f : [0, 1] \to \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if} \quad x \in [0, 1]\backslash C_\infty, \\ 2x + 1 & \text{if} \quad x \in C_\infty. \end{cases}$$

(i) Find $\sup f, \inf f$, and $\|f\|_{L^\infty}$.

(ii) Find its weak derivative f' and compute

$$f(x) - \int_0^x f'(s)ds.$$

E2.4 Let $u \in L^1_{\mathrm{loc}}(\mathbb{R})$ which has a second order weak derivative $f'' \in L^1_{\mathrm{loc}}(\mathbb{R})$. Show that it has also the first order weak derivative $f' \in L^1_{\mathrm{loc}}(\mathbb{R})$.

E2.5 Let $f \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ for some $1 \leq p < \infty$. Let $\chi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ such that $\chi(x) = 1$ if $|x| \leq 1$. Denote $f_n(x) = \chi(nx)f(x)$. Prove that

$$f_n \to f \text{ in } W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d) \text{ as } n \to +\infty.$$

Recall that $\|f\|^p_{W^{1,p}} = \|f\|^p_{L^p} + \sum_{|\alpha|=1} \|D^\alpha f\|^p_{L^p}$.

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Homework Sheet 1

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E1.1 Define

$$V = \{u \in L^2(0,1) \,|\, a(u,u) < \infty \text{ and } u(0) = 0\}, \quad a(u,v) = \int_0^1 u'(x)v'(x)\mathrm{d}x.$$

(i) Prove the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$|a(u,v)| \leq \sqrt{a(u,u)}\sqrt{a(v,v)}, \quad \forall u, v \in V.$$

When does the equality hold?

(ii) Define $\|u\|_E = \sqrt{a(u,u)}$. Verify that $\|\cdot\|_E$ is a norm. If we don't have the condition $u(0) = 0$, is $\|\cdot\|_E$ a norm?

(iii) Prove the "Parallelogram law"

$$\|u\|_E + \|v\|_E = \frac{1}{2}\left[\|u+v\|_E^2 + \|u-v\|_E^2\right] \quad \forall u, v \in V.$$

E1.2 Based on the lecture, formulate the weak formulation of the following problem

$$\begin{cases} -u'' + u &= f, \\ u(0) = u(1) &= 0, \end{cases}$$

where $f \in L^2[0,1]$.

E1.3 Let V and $a(u,v)$ be given in E1.1. Prove that for $u \in V \cap C^1[0,1]$ we have

(i) $\|u\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}\|u'\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2$

(ii) $\|u\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}}\|u'\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2$ if we assume further $u(1) = 0$

(iii) $\|u\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2 \leq \frac{1}{6}\|u'\|_{L^2(0,1)}^2$ if we assume further $\int_0^1 u = 0$

(iv) $\max_{x\in[0,1]} |u(x)|^2 \leq 2u^2(1) + 2\|u'\|_{L^2}^2$

(v) $\max_{x\in[0,1]} |u(x)|^2 \leq 2(\|u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|u'\|_{L^2}^2)$