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Abstract

The purpose of this note is to discuss how various Sobolev spaces defined on multiple cones behave with respect to density of smooth functions, interpolation and extension/restriction to/from \mathbb{R}^n . The analysis interestingly combines use of Poincaré inequalities and of some Hardy type inequalities.

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1 Introduction

The theory of Sobolev spaces on domains of the Euclidean spaces is well developed and numerous works and books are available. For multi-connected open sets, there is apparently nothing to say. However, depending on the topology of the boundary, the closure of the space of test functions (ie compactly supported in \mathbb{R}^n) might be a subtle thing. We propose here to investigate the Sobolev spaces on multiple cones with common vertex as unique common point of their boundaries. Surprisingly, we did not find a treatment in the literature.

Our motivation comes from Badr's PhD thesis where interpolation results for Sobolev spaces on complete metric-measure spaces are proved upon the doubling property and families of Poincaré inequalities. A question remained

unsettled, namely whether the result is sharp, that is whether the conclusion is best possible given the hypotheses. Multiple (closed) cones are sets where doubling (for Lebesgue measure) holds and L^p -Poincaré inequalities hold for some but not all p , more precisely for p greater than dimension. Cones are therefore simple but important examples for this matter. The study of Sobolev spaces on such sets provides us with the positive answer to our question and, in addition, we complete the interpolation result in this specific situation. As we shall see, these Sobolev spaces can be identified with the closure of test functions in the classical Sobolev space on open multiple cones.

For simplicity, we work on Ω the Euclidean (double) cone defined by $x_1^2 + \dots + x_{n-1}^2 < x_n^2$, $n \geq 2$, but all the material extends right away to multiple cones with common vertex point (see Section 7), and the cones need not be of revolution type. The various first order Sobolev spaces on Ω we consider are: $W_p^1(\Omega)$, $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega)$ the closure of smooth compactly supported functions in \mathbb{R}^n in $W_p^1(\Omega)$ and also $H_p^1(X)$ the Sobolev space arising from geometric measure theory on $X = \overline{\Omega}$.

The question we ask is: how do they behave with respect to density of smooth functions, interpolation and extension/restriction to/from \mathbb{R}^n ?

Our results (Sections 2,3,4 and 5) exhibit the specific role of the vertex point. This role translates into a critical exponent (equal to dimension) and the L^p Sobolev spaces have different behaviors with respect to the various actions listed above. For example, the usual spaces $W_p^1(\Omega)$ interpolate for all p in $[1, \infty]$. The space $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega)$ coincides with $W_p^1(\Omega)$ if $1 \leq p \leq n$ but is a strict subspace for $n < p$. Hence the way the $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega)$ interpolate for all p is unclear and we provide an answer, identifying the critical interpolation space at $p = n$ as a strict subspace of $\widetilde{W}_n^1(\Omega)$. The open set Ω has the extension property for W_p^1 if $p < n$. It cannot be the case when $p > n$. On the contrary, it is the case if one replaces $W_p^1(\Omega)$ by $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega)$. At $p = n$, the extension property is, as we show, not enjoyed by $\widetilde{W}_n^1(\Omega)$, but by the smaller interpolation space. As for the space $H_p^1(X)$ it is easy to show it agrees with $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega)$ and it turns out that it will be easier to work with the former. Finally, we make a connection with the Hajlasz-Sobolev space. In particular, this will show that the Hajlasz-Sobolev space $M^{1,n}(X)$ is a strict subspace of $H_n^1(X)$, which can be surprising.

Of course, some of our results are known and we give references along the way when we have been able to locate them, but some results, like the interpolation results, are new. We also point out that we give two proofs of the interpolation result. Although the one presented in section 5 using restriction/extension looks more natural to users of Sobolev spaces on subsets of the Euclidean space, we prefer the one done in Sections 3 and 4, because it is more in the spirit of analysis on metric spaces and contains ideas that we believe could be used in this context elsewhere. In particular, a special feature is that it allows to pass below the Poincaré exponent threshold by using Hardy type inequalities.

2 Density

Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and O an open set of \mathbb{R}^n . Define $W_p^1(O)$ as the space of functions¹ $f \in L^p(O)$ such that

$$\|f\|_{W_p^1(O)} = \|f\|_{L^p(O)} + \|\nabla f\|_{L^p(O)} < \infty.$$

The gradient is defined in the distributional sense in O . For $p < \infty$, denote by $\widetilde{W}_p^1(O)$ the closure of the space of $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ (the subscript 0 means compact support) functions restricted to O in $W_p^1(O)$. Among classical texts, we quote [1, 9, 14, 15, 18, 20].

If $n < p < \infty$, recall that the Morrey-Sobolev embedding implies that if $f \in W_p^1(\Omega)$ then f is Hölder continuous on each connected component Ω_\pm of Ω , the half-cones defined by $x \in \Omega$ and $\text{sign}(x_n) = \pm 1$. Hence f has limits in 0 from Ω_+ and Ω_- . These limits, which we call $f(0^+)$ and $f(0^-)$, may be different.

This lemma is classical and we include a proof for convenience.

Lemma 2.1. *Let $1 \leq p < \infty$ and $f \in W_p^1(\Omega)$. Assume $1 \leq p \leq n$ or $n < p < \infty$ and $f(0^+) = f(0^-) = 0$. Then there exists a sequence of $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ functions (φ_k) with support away from 0 such that $\|f - \varphi_k\|_{W_p^1(\Omega)}$ tends to 0.*

Proof. First, it is enough to consider $f \in W_p^1(\Omega_+)$, with $f(0) = 0$ if $p > n$. Second, we may also assume f bounded by using truncations $f1_{|f| < N}$ and $N \rightarrow \infty$. Next, we claim that we can approximate f by a function in $g \in W_p^1(\Omega_+)$ supported away from a ball centered at 0. Assuming this claim, it suffices to convolve this approximation with a smooth mollifying function which has compact support inside Ω_+ to conclude.

It remains to prove the above claim. Take $\chi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ a positive, radial function, bounded by 1, supported in the unit ball with $\chi = 1$ in the half-unit ball. For $\epsilon > 0$, define $\chi_\epsilon(x) = \chi(\frac{x}{\epsilon})$ and take $f_\epsilon(x) = f(x)(1 - \chi_\epsilon(x))$. Every $f_\epsilon = 0$ on the ball of radius $\epsilon/2$. We distinguish between 3 cases:

Case $1 \leq p < n$: By dominated convergence f_ϵ converges to f in $L^p(\Omega_+)$. For the gradient, as f is bounded and $\|\nabla \chi_\epsilon\|_p \leq C\epsilon^{n/p-1}$, we conclude that ∇f_ϵ converges to ∇f in $L^p(\Omega_+)$.

Case $p = n$: The function f_ϵ does not converge to f in this case and we have to modify the construction. For $0 < \delta < 1$, we introduce the function $\eta_\delta(x) = \frac{|\ln \delta|}{|\ln |x||}$ if $|x| \leq \delta$ and $\eta_\delta(x) = 1$ if $|x| > \delta$. Take $f_{\epsilon,\delta} = f\eta_\delta(1 - \chi_\epsilon) = f_\epsilon\eta_\delta$ with $\delta^k = \epsilon$ and $k > 0$ large. It is easy to show that $f_{\epsilon,\delta}$ converges to f in $L^n(\Omega_+)$ for $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ and any k fixed. For the gradient, using $|1 - \chi_\epsilon| \leq 1$, we have

$$|\nabla(f - f_{\epsilon,\delta})| \leq |(1 - \eta_\delta)\nabla f| + |\chi_\epsilon\nabla f| + |f\nabla\eta_\delta| + |f\eta_\delta\nabla\chi_\epsilon|.$$

We observe that we assumed f bounded. A computation shows that $\|\eta_\delta\nabla\chi_\epsilon\|_n$ is bounded by C/k . So we pick and fix k big enough. Next, $\|\nabla\eta_\delta\|_n$ goes to 0 as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ and the remaining term $\|(1 - \eta_\delta)\nabla f\|_n + \|\chi_\epsilon\nabla f\|_n \rightarrow 0$ by dominated convergence.

¹We consider real functions but everything is valid for complex functions.

Case $p > n$: By dominated convergence, f_ϵ converges to f in $L^p(\Omega_+)$. For the gradient, we have $(1 - \chi_\epsilon)\nabla f$ converges to ∇f in $L^p(\Omega_+)$ by dominated convergence. It remains to prove that $\|f\nabla\chi_\epsilon\|_{L^p(\Omega_+)}$ tends to 0. By Morrey's theorem and recalling that $f(0) = 0$ we have for every $x \in \Omega_+$, $|x| < \epsilon$,

$$\left| \frac{f(x)}{\epsilon} \right| \leq C \left(\frac{|x|}{\epsilon} \right)^{1-n/p} \left(\int_{\{|y| < 2\epsilon\} \cap \Omega_+} |\nabla f|^p(y) dy \right)^{1/p}. \quad (2.1)$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega_+} |f(x)\nabla\chi_\epsilon(x)|^p dx &\leq \int_{\{|x| \leq \epsilon\} \cap \Omega_+} \left| \frac{f(x)}{\epsilon} \right|^p dx \\ &\leq \int_{\{|x| \leq \epsilon\} \cap \Omega_+} \left(\frac{|x|}{\epsilon} \right)^{p-n} dx \frac{1}{\epsilon^n} \int_{\{|y| \leq 2\epsilon\} \cap \Omega_+} |\nabla f|^p(y) dy \\ &\leq C \int_{\{|y| \leq 2\epsilon\} \cap \Omega_+} |\nabla f|^p(y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude noting that the last integral converges to 0 when $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ by the dominated convergence theorem. \square

Remark. The density of functions in $W_n^1(\Omega_\pm)$ supported away from a ball centered at 0 was also proved in [7, Lemma 2.4] for the special case of dimension n equals 2 (We are thankful to Monique Dauge for indicating this work). Their proof applies *mutatis mutandis* for dimensions higher.

Corollary 2.2. *Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. If $p \leq n$, $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega) = W_p^1(\Omega)$ and if $n < p$, $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega) = \{f \in W_p^1(\Omega); f(0^+) = f(0^-)\}$, and hence is of codimension 1 in $W_p^1(\Omega)$.*

Proof. For $1 \leq p \leq n$, the equality follows immediately from Lemma 2.1. Assume now $p > n$. Trivially $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega) \subset \{f \in W_p^1(\Omega); f(0^+) = f(0^-)\}$. Conversely let $f \in W_p^1(\Omega)$, $f(0^+) = f(0^-)$. Then $g = f - f(0)\chi$, with $\chi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ supported in the unit ball with $\chi \equiv 1$ in a neighborhood of 0 verifies $g(0^+) = g(0^-) = 0$. Lemma 2.1 yields $g \in \widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega)$ and therefore $f = g + f(0)\chi$. \square

3 Real interpolation

As far as $W_p^1(\Omega)$ is concerned, we have if $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ that $W_p^1(\Omega) = W_p^1(\Omega_+) \oplus W_p^1(\Omega_-)$ using restriction to Ω_\pm and extension by 0 from Ω_\pm to Ω . That is, if $f \in W_p^1(\Omega)$, we write

$$f = \mathbf{1}_{\Omega_+} f + \mathbf{1}_{\Omega_-} f. \quad (3.1)$$

Since Ω_\pm is a Lipschitz domain, it is known [8] that the family of Sobolev spaces $(W_p^1(\Omega_\pm))_{1 \leq p \leq \infty}$ forms a scale of interpolation spaces for the real interpolation method. Hence the same is true for $(W_p^1(\Omega))_{1 \leq p \leq \infty}$.

There is a second chain of spaces appearing in the axiomatic theory of Sobolev spaces on a metric-measure space ([10], [11], [13]). Let X be the closure of Ω . Then X equipped with Euclidean distance and Lebesgue measure, which we denote by λ , is a complete metric-measure space. The balls

are the restriction to X of Euclidean balls centered in X . For $1 \leq p < \infty$, we denote by $H_p^1(X)$ the completion for the norm $W_p^1(\Omega)$ of $\text{Lip}_0(X)$, the space of Lipschitz functions in X with compact support. For $p = \infty$, we set $H_\infty^1(X) = \text{Lip}(X) \cap L^\infty(X)$. Identifying a Lipschitz function on Ω with its unique extension to X , $H_\infty^1(X) = \{f \in W_\infty^1(\Omega); f(0^+) = f(0^-)\}$. There are also other Sobolev spaces of interest, like the Hajlasz spaces $M^{1,p}(X)$. We shall come back to this in Section 5.

We recall the definitions of doubling property and Poincaré inequality:

Definition (Doubling property). Let (E, d, μ) be a metric-measure space. One says that E satisfies the doubling property (D) if there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that for all $x \in E$, $r > 0$ we have

$$\mu(B(x, 2r)) \leq C\mu(B(x, r)). \quad (D)$$

Definition (Poincaré Inequality). A (complete) metric-measure space (E, d, μ) admits a q -Poincaré inequality for some $1 \leq q < \infty$, if there exists a constant $C > 0$, such that for every continuous function u and upper gradient g of u , and for every ball B of radius $r > 0$ the following inequality holds:

$$\left(\int_B |u - u_B|^q d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq Cr \left(\int_B g^q d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \quad (P_q)$$

There are weaker ways of defining the Poincaré inequalities but it amounts to this one when the space is complete. See [11] for more on this and definition of upper gradients. On X , $|\nabla u|$ is an upper gradient of u .

Let us recall Badr's theorem in this context ([3], Theorem 7.11). On a metric-measure space there is a definition $H_p^1(E)$ for $p \leq \infty$ which, for $X = E$, is equivalent to the one given here.

Theorem 3.1 (Badr). *Let $1 \leq q_0 < \infty$. Assume (E, d, μ) is a complete metric-measure space with the doubling property and q -Poincaré inequalities with $q > q_0$. Then for $q_0 < p_0 < p_1 \leq \infty$ and $1/p = (1 - \theta)/p_0 + \theta/p_1$,*

$$(H_{p_0}^1(E), H_{p_1}^1(E))_{\theta,p} = H_p^1(E). \quad (3.2)$$

The space (X, d, λ) has the doubling property and, as shown in [11] p.17, it supports a q -Poincaré inequality if and only if $n < q$. Thus, $(H_p^1(X))_{n < p \leq \infty}$ is a scale of interpolation spaces for the real interpolation method. As observed and proved in [2], Chapter 4 (see also Section 9 of [3]), with arguments we reproduced here, $H_p^1(X) = W_p^1(\Omega)$ when $1 \leq p < n$, and this allowed her to identify $H_p^1(X)$ as the interpolation space $(H_{p_0}^1(X), H_{p_1}^1(X))_{\theta,p}$ when $1 \leq p_0 < p < p_1 \leq \infty$ and $1/p = (1 - \theta)/p_0 + \theta/p_1$ with the restriction that either $n < p$ or $p_1 < n$.

The missing cases are somehow intriguing and for the sake of curiosity we provide a complete picture in the following result. More interestingly, we provide two proofs that covers all cases at once.

Theorem 3.2. *If $1 \leq p_0 < p < p_1 \leq \infty$ and $1/p = (1 - \theta)/p_0 + \theta/p_1$, then*

$$(H_{p_0}^1(X), H_{p_1}^1(X))_{\theta,p} = \begin{cases} H_p^1(X), & \text{if } p \neq n, \\ \widehat{H}_n^1(X), & \text{if } p = n. \end{cases} \quad (3.3)$$

We shall see that $\widehat{H}_n^1(X)$ is a strict subspace of $H_n^1(X)$. This implies in particular that Badr's interpolation result is sharp in the class of Sobolev spaces on metric-measure spaces: in this example, the infimum of Poincaré exponents is also the smallest exponent p_0 for which the family $(H_p^1(X))_{p_0 < p \leq \infty}$ is a scale of interpolation spaces for the real interpolation method. Hence, she could not get a better conclusion in general. See section 5 for a further discussion on this.

The space $\widehat{H}_n^1(X)$ will incorporate a sort of Hardy inequality with respect to the vertex point. To describe it, we need the following definition.

Definition. For a function $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we define its radial part f_r and its anti-radial part f_a as follows: $f_r(x)$ is the mean of f on the sphere of radius $|x|$ restricted to Ω with respect to surface measure and $f_a(x) = f(x) - f_r(x)$.

The number $f_r(x)$ depends only on the distance of x to the origin, hence the terminology radial (even if Ω is not invariant by rotations). But note that both f_r and f_a depend on Ω . Note that $f \mapsto f_r$ is a contraction on $H_p^1(X)$. Denote by $r: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, r(x) = |x|$.

Definition. $\widehat{H}_n^1(X) = \{f \in H_n^1(X); f_a/r \in L^n(X)\}$ with norm

$$\|f\|_{\widehat{H}_n^1(X)} = \|f\|_{H_n^1(X)} + \|f_a/r\|_{L^n(X)}.$$

The following example shows that $\widehat{H}_n^1(X)$ is a strict subspace of $H_n^1(X)$. Assume $n = 2$ and $\beta > 0$, and consider the function f on X , supported on $r \leq 1/2$, C^∞ away from 0, which is $\text{sign}(x_2)|\ln r|^{-\beta}$ for $r \leq 1/4$. It is easy to check that $f \in H_2^1(X)$ for all $\beta > 0$. Clearly, $f = f_a$ and $f/r \in L^2(X)$ if and only if $\beta > 1/2$. Hence for $0 < \beta \leq 1/2$ we have $f \notin \widehat{H}_2^1(X)$.

Before we move on, the relation between $H_p^1(X)$ and $W_p^1(\Omega)$ is the following.

Lemma 3.3. For $1 \leq p < \infty$, $H_p^1(X) = \widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega)$ with the same norm.

Proof. It is clear that $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega) \subset H_p^1(X) \subset W_p^1(\Omega)$. Thanks to Corollary 2.2, we have our conclusion if $1 \leq p \leq n$. Assume next $n < p$. Then functions in $\text{Lip}_0(X)$ satisfy $f(0^+) = f(0^-)$. Since $f \mapsto f(0^\pm)$ are continuous on $W_p^1(\Omega)$, this passes to $H_p^1(X)$. Applying again Corollary 2.2, we deduce that $H_p^1(X) \subset \widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega)$. \square

To prove our theorem, we first introduce the following spaces.

Definition. For $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, set $\widetilde{H}_p^1(X) = \{f \in H_p^1(X); f/r \in L^p(X)\}$ with norm

$$\|f\|_{\widetilde{H}_p^1(X)} = \|f\|_{H_p^1(X)} + \|f/r\|_{L^p(X)} = \|f\|_{W_p^1(\Omega)} + \|f/r\|_{L^p(\Omega)}.$$

Lemma 3.4. For $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, $\widetilde{H}_p^1(X)$ is a Banach space which can be identified isometrically to $\{f \in W_p^1(\Omega); f/r \in L^p(\Omega)\}$.

Proof. There is nothing to prove if $1 \leq p \leq n$ thanks to Corollary 2.2 and Lemma 3.3. Assume next $n < p < \infty$. Let $f \in \widetilde{H}_p^1(X)$, then the restriction of f to Ω belongs to $\{f \in W_p^1(\Omega); f/r \in L^p(\Omega)\}$. Conversely if $f \in W_p^1(\Omega)$ and $f/r \in L^p(\Omega)$, then f has a unique extension to a Hölder continuous function in both $\overline{\Omega}_\pm$. The condition $f/r \in L^p(\Omega)$ forces $f(0^+) = f(0^-) = 0$. Hence this extension is in $H_p^1(X)$ and thus in $\widetilde{H}_p^1(X)$. \square

The next result is the main step.

Theorem 3.5. *The family $(\tilde{H}_p^1(X))_{1 \leq p \leq \infty}$ is a scale of interpolation spaces for the real interpolation method.*

This result is proved in the next section. We continue with

Proposition 3.6. *If $1 \leq p < n$, $\tilde{H}_p^1(X) = H_p^1(X)$. If $n < p \leq \infty$, $\tilde{H}_p^1(X) = \{f \in H_p^1(X); f(0) = 0\}$ and has codimension 1 in $H_p^1(X)$.*

Before we prove this proposition we need the following Hardy type inequality (we thank Michel Pierre for indicating a simple proof):

Lemma 3.7. *Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ with $p \neq n$. Then there exists a constant $C = C(p, \Omega)$ such that*

$$\int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^p dx \leq C \int_{\Omega} |\nabla f|^p dx \quad (3.4)$$

for every $f \in H_p^1(X)$ with, in addition, $f(0) = 0$ if $p > n$ (with the usual L^∞ norm if $p = \infty$.)

The example above shows that the lemma is false when $p = n$.

Proof. Assume first $1 \leq p < n$. Take $f \in \text{Lip}_0(X)$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega_+} \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^p dx &= \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_0^\infty r^{n-1-p} |f(r, \theta)|^p dr d\sigma(\theta) \\ &= \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \left[\frac{1}{n-p} r^{n-p} |f(r, \theta)|^p \right]_0^\infty d\sigma(\theta) \\ &\quad - \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{n-p} r^{n-p} |f|^{p-1} \text{sign } f \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} dr d\sigma(\theta) \\ &= -\frac{p}{n-p} \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^{p-1} \text{sign } f \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} r^{n-1} dr d\sigma(\theta) \\ &\leq \frac{p}{n-p} \left(\int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^p r^{n-1} dr d\sigma(\theta) \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \\ &\quad \left(\int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right|^p r^{n-1} dr d\sigma(\theta) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

After simplification, we get (3.4) on Ω_+ . We do the same for the integral on Ω_- and therefore (3.4) holds for every $f \in \text{Lip}_0(X)$. By density, (3.4) holds for every $f \in H_p^1(X)$.

Assume next $n < p < \infty$. Let $f \in \text{Lip}_0(X)$ such that $f(0) = 0$. We denote $A = \int_{\Omega_+ \cap \{|x| > \epsilon\}} \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^p dx$, where $\epsilon > 0$. By Morrey's theorem, we have for every $x \in \Omega$, $|f(x)| \leq C \|\nabla f\|_p |x|^\alpha$ with $\alpha = 1 - n/p$. Repeating the computation

of (3.4) and since f has a compact support, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} r^{n-1-p} |f(r, \theta)|^p dr d\sigma(\theta) \\
&= \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \left[\frac{1}{n-p} r^{n-p} |f(r, \theta)|^p \right]_{\epsilon}^{\infty} d\sigma(\theta) \\
&\quad - \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n-p} r^{n-p} p |f|^{p-1} \operatorname{sign} f \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} d\sigma(\theta) dr \\
&= \frac{\epsilon^{n-p}}{p-n} \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} |f(\epsilon, \theta)|^p d\sigma(\theta) + \frac{p}{p-n} \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^{p-1} \operatorname{sign} f \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} r^{n-1} dr d\sigma(\theta) \\
&\leq C^p \|\nabla f\|_p^p \\
&\quad + \frac{p}{p-n} \left(\int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^p r^{n-1} dr d\sigma(\theta) \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \left(\int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_1} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right|^p r^{n-1} dr d\sigma(\theta) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.
\end{aligned}$$

This yields

$$A \leq C^p \|\nabla f\|_p^p + \frac{p}{p-n} A^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \|\nabla f\|_p. \quad (3.5)$$

Plugging $A^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \|\nabla f\|_p \leq \delta A + \frac{1}{\delta} \|\nabla f\|_p^p$ for every $\delta > 0$, one obtains

$$A(1 - \frac{p}{p-n}\delta) \leq (C^p + \frac{p}{(p-n)\delta}) \|\nabla f\|_p^p.$$

Choosing $\delta < \frac{p-n}{p}$, we deduce that

$$\int_{\Omega_+ \cap \{|x| > \epsilon\}} \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^p dx \leq C \int_{\Omega_+} |\nabla f|^p dx.$$

We then let $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$. We do the same for the integral on Ω_- and therefore (3.4) holds for every $f \in \operatorname{Lip}_0(X)$ such that $f(0) = 0$. By density, (3.4) holds for every $f \in H_p^1(X)$ such that $f(0) = 0$.

When $p = \infty$ (3.4) is a direct consequence of the definition of $H_{\infty}^1(X)$ and that $f(0) = 0$ with the mean value theorem. \square

Proof of Proposition 3.6. When $1 \leq p < n$, Lemma 3.7 shows that $H_p^1(X) \subset \tilde{H}_p^1(X)$ and the proposition follows. Now, when $p > n$, Lemma 3.7 yields $\{f \in H_p^1(X); f(0) = 0\} \subset \tilde{H}_p^1(X)$. Conversely if $f \in \tilde{H}_p^1(X)$, by the continuity of f at 0 and the L^p integrability of f/r we easily see that $f(0) = 0$.

It remains to prove that $\tilde{H}_p^1(X)$ is of codimension 1 in $H_p^1(X)$. This follows by writing $f \in H_p^1(X)$ as $f = f - f(0)\chi + f(0)\chi$, where $\chi \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $\operatorname{supp} \chi \subset B(0, 1)$ and $\chi = 1$ in a neighborhood of 0, and using the above characterization of $\tilde{H}_p^1(X)$. \square

Although this is a simple description of $\tilde{H}_p^1(X)$, the jump at $p = n$ does not allow us to use this result to conclude for Theorem 3.2. We need to further analyze the radial and antiradial parts of a function.

Lemma 3.8. *Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$.*

1. For a function f depending only on the distance to the origin, $f \in H_p^1(X) \iff f \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with same norm up to a constant.
2. Assume $p \neq n$. For a function $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $f_a = f - f_r$, we have $f_a \in \tilde{H}_p^1(X) \iff f_a \in H_p^1(X)$ with comparable norms.

Proof. The first item is trivial. The constant is the ratio of the surface measure of Ω inside the unit sphere divided by the surface measure of the unit sphere.

As for the second item, it follows from the previous proposition directly if $p < n$ and by observing that $f_a(0) = 0$ if $p > n$. \square

We can now complete the proof of Theorem 3.2.

Proof. Let us examine the case where neither p_0, p_1 is n . By the reiteration theorem, this reduces further to $p_0 = 1, p_1 = \infty$. Set $F_p = (H_1^1(X), H_\infty^1(X))_{\theta, p}$ with $\theta = 1 - 1/p$.

Let $f \in F_p$. Since $f \mapsto f_r$ is contracting on $H_q^1(X)$ for all $1 \leq q \leq \infty$ and using Lemma 3.8, one has that

$$K(f_r, t, W_1^1(\mathbb{R}^n), W_\infty^1(\mathbb{R}^n)) \leq CK(f, t, H_1^1(X), H_\infty^1(X)).$$

K is the K -functional of interpolation defined as in [4], [5]. Hence $f_r \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ by classical interpolation for the $W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Thus $f_r \in H_p^1(X)$ by Lemma 3.8. We also have by Lemma 3.8 again,

$$K(f_a, t, \tilde{H}_1^1(X), \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)) \leq CK(f, t, H_1^1(X), H_\infty^1(X)).$$

Theorem 3.5 shows then that $f_a \in \tilde{H}_p^1(X)$. We conclude that $f \in H_p^1(X)$ if $p \neq n$ and $f \in \hat{H}_n^1(X)$ if $p = n$.

Reciprocally, let $f \in H_p^1(X)$ if $p \neq n$ and $f \in \hat{H}_n^1(X)$ if $p = n$. By Lemma 3.8, whatever p is, we have that $f_r \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $f_a \in \tilde{H}_p^1(X)$. By Theorem 3.5, $f_a \in (\tilde{H}_1^1(X), \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X))_{\theta, p}$ with $\theta = 1 - 1/p$. Hence $f_a \in F_p$. For the radial part, for each $t > 0$, one can find a decomposition $f_r = g_t + h_t$ almost minimizing for $K(f_r, t, W_1^1(\mathbb{R}^n), W_\infty^1(\mathbb{R}^n))$ and one can assume both g_t and h_t are radial. Thus Lemma 3.8 implies that $g_t \in H_1^1(X)$ and $h_t \in H_\infty^1(X)$, hence $f_r \in F_p$.

It remains to study the case where p_0 or p_1 is equal to n . Let us consider the case $p_1 = n$ as the other one is similar. It is also enough to look at the result when $p_0 = 1$. As we know all interpolation spaces between $H_1^1(X)$ and $H_\infty^1(X)$, by the reiteration theorem, if $1 < p < n$ and $\frac{1}{p} = 1 - \theta + \frac{\theta}{n}$ we have $(H_1^1(X), \hat{H}_n^1(X))_{\theta, p} = H_p^1(X)$. Hence, we have

$$H_p^1(X) = (H_1^1(X), \hat{H}_n^1(X))_{\theta, p} \subset (H_1^1(X), H_n^1(X))_{\theta, p} \subset H_p^1(X).$$

The last inclusion is the easy part of the interpolation. This concludes the proof. \square

Remark. The inclusion $\hat{H}_n^1(X) \subset H_n^1(X)$ is dense. This is due to the fact that as $H_n^1(X) = W_n^1(\Omega)$, the space of restrictions to X of smooth functions on \mathbb{R}^n with compact support in $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$, a subspace of $\hat{H}_n^1(X)$, is dense in $H_n^1(X)$. Note that the last part of the argument shows that $(H_{p_0}^1(X), H_{p_1}^1(X))_{\theta, p} = H_p^1(X)$ for the appropriate p whenever p_0 or p_1 is equal to n . In particular, when $p_0 = n$ this furnishes an endpoint to Badr's result for the case of $E = X$.

Remark. As X is symmetric with respect to $S : x \mapsto -x$, we can define $\widehat{H}_n^1(X)$ differently by doing an analysis with even and odd parts. Define the even and odd parts f_e and f_o of a function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ as $f_e = \frac{1}{2}(f + f \circ S)$ and $f_o = \frac{1}{2}(f - f \circ S)$. We have that $\widehat{H}_n^1(X) = \{f \in H_n^1(X); f_o/r \in L^n(X)\}$. Let $f \in H_n^1(X)$. Write $f_o = (f_r)_o + (f_a)_o$ and easily $(f_r)_o = 0$. Hence

$$f_a \in \widetilde{H}_n^1(X) \implies (f_a)_o \in \widetilde{H}_n^1(X) \implies f_o \in \widetilde{H}_n^1(X).$$

Next, write $f_a = (f_e)_a + (f_o)_a$. We claim that $(f_e)_a/r \in L^n(X)$. Hence,

$$f_o \in \widetilde{H}_n^1(X) \implies (f_o)_a \in \widetilde{H}_n^1(X) \implies f_a \in \widetilde{H}_n^1(X).$$

To see the claim, we observe that the evenness of f_e implies that $(f_e)_r(x)$ can be calculated by replacing the mean of f_e on $\Omega \cap S_{|x|}$ by the one on $\Omega_+ \cap S_{|x|}$. This spherical cap is connected and satisfies Poincaré inequalities with respect to surface measure on $S_{|x|}$, so that we obtain,

$$\int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_{|x|}} |(f_e)_a|^n d\sigma(\theta) \leq C(n, \Omega_+) |x|^n \int_{\Omega_+ \cap S_{|x|}} |\nabla_\theta (f_e)_a|^n d\sigma(\theta)$$

where ∇_θ is the tangential gradient and notice that $|\nabla_\theta (f_e)_a| \leq |\nabla (f_e)_a|$ on $\Omega_+ \cap S_{|x|}$. So multiplying by $r^{-n} = |x|^{-n}$ and integrating with respect to dr we obtain

$$\int_{\Omega_+} \frac{|(f_e)_a|^n}{r^n} dx \leq C(n, \Omega_+) \int_{\Omega_+} |\nabla (f_e)_a|^n dx$$

This inequality is valid with n replaced by any $1 \leq p \leq \infty$.

4 Proof of Theorem 3.5

For the proof of Theorem 3.5, we need a Calderón-Zygmund decomposition as in [3]. We incorporate here a further control to take care of the vertex point.

Let $1 < p < \infty$ and $f \in \widetilde{H}_p^1(X)$. Identifying f to its restriction to Ω , write $f = f|_{\Omega_+} + f|_{\Omega_-} = f_+ + f_-$. We establish the following Calderón-Zygmund decomposition for f_+ and the same decomposition holds for f_- .

Proposition 4.1 (Calderón-Zygmund lemma). *Let $\alpha > 0$. Then one can find a collection of balls $(B_{i+})_i$ of Ω_+ , functions b_{i+} and a Lipschitz function g_+ such that the following properties hold:*

$$f_+ = g_+ + \sum_i b_{i+} \quad \text{on } \Omega_+ \tag{4.1}$$

$$|g_+(x)| + \frac{|g_+(x)|}{|x|} + |\nabla g_+(x)| \leq C\alpha \quad \lambda - a.e \ x \in \Omega_+ \tag{4.2}$$

$$\text{supp } b_{i+} \subset B_{i+}, \int_{B_{i+}} \left(|b_{i+}| + \frac{|b_{i+}|}{|x|} + |\nabla b_{i+}| \right) dx \leq C\alpha \tag{4.3}$$

$$\sum_i \lambda(B_{i+}) \leq C\alpha^{-p} \int_{\Omega_+} \left(|f_+| + \frac{|f_+|}{|x|} + |\nabla f_+| \right)^p dx \tag{4.4}$$

$$\sum_i \chi_{B_{i+}} \leq N. \quad (4.5)$$

The constants C and N only depend on p and on the constants in (D) and (P_1) in Ω_+ .

A ball of Ω_+ is the restriction to Ω_+ of an open ball of \mathbb{R}^n having center in Ω_+ .

Proof. To simplify the exposition, we omit the index $+$ keeping it only for Ω_+ . For $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, denote $r(x) = |x|$. Consider

$$U = \left\{ x \in \Omega_+ : \mathcal{M}_{\Omega_+} \left(|f| + \frac{|f|}{r} + |\nabla f| \right) (x) > \alpha \right\}$$

with

$$\mathcal{M}_{\Omega_+} f(x) = \sup_{B: x \in B} \frac{1}{\lambda(B)} \int_B |f| dx$$

where B ranges over all balls of Ω_+ . Recall that \mathcal{M}_{Ω_+} is of weak type $(1, 1)$ and bounded on $L^p(\Omega_+, \lambda)$, $1 < p \leq \infty$. If $U = \emptyset$, then set

$$g = f, \quad b_i = 0 \text{ for all } i$$

so that (4.2) is satisfied according to the Lebesgue differentiation theorem. Otherwise the maximal theorem gives us

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(U) &\leq C\alpha^{-p} \int_{\Omega_+} \left(|f| + \frac{|f|}{r} + |\nabla f| \right)^p dx \\ &< +\infty. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

In particular $U \neq \Omega_+$ as $\lambda(\Omega_+) = +\infty$. Let F be the complement of U in Ω_+ . Since U is an open set distinct of Ω_+ , we use a Whitney decomposition of U ([6]): one can find pairwise disjoint balls \underline{B}_i of Ω_+ and two constants $C_2 > C_1 > 1$, such that

1. $U = \cup_i B_i$ with $B_i = C_1 \underline{B}_i$ and the balls B_i have the bounded overlap property;
2. $r_i = r(B_i) = \frac{1}{2}d(x_i, F)$ and x_i is the center of B_i ;
3. each ball $\overline{B}_i = C_2 \underline{B}_i$ intersects F ($C_2 = 4C_1$ works).

Recall that the above balls are balls of Ω_+ , that is $\underline{B}_i = B(x_i, r_i/C_1) \cap \Omega_+$, $B_i = B(x_i, r_i) \cap \Omega_+$, $\overline{B}_i = B(x_i, r_i C_2) \cap \Omega_+$ and $x_i \in \Omega_+$ where $B(x, r)$ denotes an Euclidean open ball in \mathbb{R}^n . Condition (4.5) is nothing but the bounded overlap property of the B_i 's and (4.4) follows from (4.5) and (4.6).

Since $\lambda(\overline{B}_i) \leq C\lambda(B_i)$ (the doubling property for Ω_+) and $\overline{B}_i \cap F \neq \emptyset$ for all i , we have

$$\int_{B_i} \left(|f| + \frac{|f|}{r} + |\nabla f| \right) dx \leq \int_{\overline{B}_i} \left(|f| + \frac{|f|}{r} + |\nabla f| \right) dx \leq C\alpha\lambda(B_i). \quad (4.7)$$

Let us derive some useful properties. For $x \in U$, denote $I_x = \{i : x \in B_i\}$. By the bounded overlap property of the balls B_i , we have that $\#I_x \leq N$. Fixing $j \in I_x$ and using the properties of the B_i 's, we easily see that $\frac{1}{3}r_i \leq r_j \leq 3r_i$

for all $i \in I_x$. In particular, $B_i \subset 7B_j$ for all $i \in I_x$. We can deduce from that $|f_{B_j} - f_{B_i}| \leq Cr_j\alpha$ with C independent of $i, j \in I_x$ and $x \in U$. Indeed, we use that B_i and B_j are contained in $7B_j$, Poincaré inequality (P_1) on balls of Ω_+ (here $7B_j$), the comparability of r_i and r_j , and the control of the gradient term in (4.7).

Let us now define the functions b_i and prove (4.3). Let $(\chi_i)_i$ be a partition of unity of U subordinated to the covering (\underline{B}_i) , such that for all i , χ_i is a Lipschitz function supported in B_i with $\|\nabla\chi_i\|_\infty \leq \frac{C}{r_i}$. To this end it is enough to choose for $x \in \Omega_+$, $\chi_i(x) = \psi\left(\frac{C_1d(x_i, x)}{r_i}\right) \left(\sum_k \psi\left(\frac{C_1d(x_k, x)}{r_k}\right)\right)^{-1}$, where ψ is a smooth function, $\psi = 1$ on $[0, 1]$, $\psi = 0$ on $[\frac{1+C_1}{2}, +\infty[$ and $0 \leq \psi \leq 1$. We declare B_i of type 1 if $4r_i \leq d(B_i, 0)$ and of type 2 otherwise. Here $d(B_i, 0)$ is the distance from B_i to 0. Indeed, it could well be that one B_i even touches the origin.

We set $b_i = (f - f_{B_i})\chi_i$ if B_i is of type 1 and $b_i = f\chi_i$ if f is of type 2. It is clear that $\text{supp } b_i \subset B_i$. We first begin the proof of the estimates on b_i by assuming B_i of type 1. We remark that for all $x \in B_i$ we have $r_i \leq |x|/4 = r/4$ from the type 1. We have

$$\int_{B_i} |b_i| dx = \int_{B_i} |(f - f_{B_i})\chi_i| dx \leq 2 \int_{B_i} |f| dx \leq C\alpha\lambda(B_i).$$

We applied (4.7) in the last step. For $\frac{|b_i|}{r}$, we use $1/r \leq 1/4r_i$ on B_i and the Poincaré inequality (P_1) on B_i :

$$\int_{B_i} \frac{|b_i|}{r} dx \leq \int_{B_i} \frac{|f - f_{B_i}|}{4r_i} dx \leq C \int_{B_i} |\nabla f| dx \leq C\alpha\lambda(B_i),$$

using (4.7) again. For ∇b_i , since $\nabla((f - f_{B_i})\chi_i) = \chi_i\nabla f + (f - f_{B_i})\nabla\chi_i$, the Poincaré inequality (P_1) on B_i and (4.7) yield

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B_i} |\nabla b_i| dx &\leq C \left(\int_{B_i} |\chi_i\nabla f| dx + \int_{B_i} |f - f_{B_i}| |\nabla\chi_i| dx \right) \\ &\leq C\|\chi_i\|_\infty\alpha\lambda(B_i) + C\|\nabla\chi_i\|_\infty r_i \int_{B_i} |\nabla f| dx \\ &\leq C\alpha\lambda(B_i). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore (4.3) is proved if B_i is a type 1 ball.

If B_i is a type 2 ball, the control of $\int_{B_i} |b_i| dx$ and $\int_{B_i} \frac{|b_i|}{r} dx$ is direct from definition and (4.7). For $\int_{B_i} |\nabla b_i| dx$, the only term requiring an argument is $\int_{B_i} |f\nabla\chi_i| dx$. We remark that the type 2 implies $|x| \leq 2r_i + d(B_i, 0) \leq 6r_i$ for $x \in B_i$. Hence, we have $|\nabla\chi_i(x)| \leq C/r_i \leq 6C/r$ on B_i and we can use (4.7) again. Therefore (4.3) is proved if B_i is a type 2 ball. Remark that we proved

$$\int_{B_i} |b_i| dx \leq C\alpha r_i \lambda(B_i) \tag{4.8}$$

for all i and also $|f_{B_i}| \leq C\alpha r_i \lambda(B_i)$ for type 2 balls.

Set $g = f - \sum_i b_i$ so that (4.1) is granted and it remains to establish (4.2). We begin by some observations. Since the sum is locally finite on U , g is defined almost everywhere on Ω and $g = f$ on F . Observe that g is a locally integrable function on Ω . Indeed, let $\varphi \in L^\infty$ with compact support. Since $d(x, F) \geq r_i$ for $x \in \text{supp } b_i$ and $\sum \lambda(B_i) \leq C\lambda(U)$ by using doubling and the disjointness of the balls \underline{B}_i , we obtain, using (4.8),

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sum_i |b_i| |\varphi| dx &\leq \left(\int \sum_i \frac{|b_i|}{r_i} dx \right) \sup_{x \in \Omega_+} \left(d(x, F) |\varphi(x)| \right) \\ &\leq C\alpha \lambda(U) \sup_{x \in \Omega_+} \left(d(x, F) |\varphi(x)| \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since $f \in L^1_{loc}(\Omega_+)$, we deduce that $g \in L^1_{loc}(\Omega_+)^2$. We also note that by Lebesgue differentiation theorem, we have

$$|f| + \frac{|f|}{r} + |\nabla f| \leq \alpha, \quad \lambda - \text{a.e. on } F. \quad (4.9)$$

We turn to proving the estimate $\|g\|_\infty \leq C\alpha$. Using that $\sum_i \chi_i = 1$ on U and 0 on F , we have

$$g = f \mathbb{1}_F + \sum_{B_i \text{ type 1}} f_{B_i} \chi_i.$$

By (4.9), it remains to estimate the series. By (4.7), $|f_{B_i}| \leq C\alpha$ and we conclude using $\sum_i \chi_i \leq 1$.

We continue with the estimate $\|g/r\|_\infty \leq C\alpha$. We use the same decomposition for g as above. On F , $|g|/r \leq \alpha$. Let $x, y \in B_i$ with B_i a type 1 ball. We have $r_i \leq |y|/4$ by type 1 definition. We also have $|x - y| \leq 2r_i$. Hence we deduce that $|y| \leq 2r_i + |x| \leq |y|/2 + |x|$, so that $|y| \leq 2|x|$ and

$$\frac{|f_{B_i}|}{|x|} \leq 2 \int_{B_i} \frac{|f(y)|}{|y|} dy \leq C\alpha.$$

Then let $x \in U$. Considering only the balls B_i containing x , we have:

$$\frac{|g(x)|}{|x|} \leq \sum_{i \in I_x: B_i \text{ type 1}} \frac{|f_{B_i}|}{|x|} \chi_i(x) \leq C\alpha \sum_{i \in I_x} \chi_i(x) = C\alpha.$$

It remains to prove $\|\nabla g\|_\infty \leq C\alpha$. For that, we use the original representation of g , differentiate in the sense of distributions and calculate

$$\nabla g = \nabla f - \sum_i \nabla b_i = \nabla f - \left(\sum_i \chi_i \right) \nabla f - h = \mathbb{1}_F(\nabla f) - h$$

with

$$h = \sum_{B_i \text{ type 1}} (f - f_{B_i}) \nabla \chi_i + f \sum_{B_i \text{ type 2}} \nabla \chi_i.$$

By (4.9), $|\mathbb{1}_F(\nabla f)| \leq \alpha$ λ -a.e.. We claim that a similar estimate holds for h , i.e. $|h(x)| \leq C\alpha$ for all $x \in \Omega_+$. For this, note first that h vanishes on F .

²Note that since $b \in L^1$ in our case, we can say directly that $g \in L^1_{loc}$. However, this way of doing applies to the homogeneous case presented in Section 6.

Then fix $x \in U$. Observe that $\sum_i \nabla \chi_i(x) = 0$, and by the definition of I_x , the sum reduces to $i \in I_x$. Pick $j \in I_x$ with B_j of type 2 if there is one such ball, otherwise any $j \in I_x$ will do. We have

$$h(x) = \sum_{i \in I_x: B_i \text{ type 1}} (f_{B_j} - f_{B_i}) \nabla \chi_i(x) + f_{B_j} \sum_{i \in I_x: B_i \text{ type 2}} \nabla \chi_i(x)$$

because the difference with the previous equation is

$$(f(x) - f_{B_j}) \sum_{i \in I_x} \nabla \chi_i(x) = 0.$$

We have seen that $|f_{B_j} - f_{B_i}| \leq Cr_j \alpha \leq 3Cr_i \alpha$ with C independent of $i, j \in I_x$ and $x \in U$. Since $|\nabla \chi_i(x)| \leq C/r_i$ and I_x has cardinal bounded by N , we are done for the the first term in the right hand side. For the second term, either no $i \in I_x$ are such that B_i is of type 2, in which case this term is 0. In the opposite case, we know that $|f_{B_j}| \leq C\alpha r_j$ since B_j is of type 2 and we conclude using $|\nabla \chi_i(x)| \leq C/r_i \leq 3C/r_j$ for $i \in I_x$ and that I_x has cardinal bounded by N . From these estimates we deduce that $|\nabla g(x)| \leq C\alpha \lambda - a.e.$ \square

We are now able to characterize the K -functional of interpolation between $\tilde{H}_1^1(X)$ and $\tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)$.

Theorem 4.2. *We have that*

$$K(f, t, \tilde{H}_1^1, \tilde{H}_\infty^1) \sim t \left(f^{**}(t) + \left(\frac{|f|}{r} \right)^{**}(t) + |\nabla f|^{**}(t) \right)$$

for every $f \in \tilde{H}_1^1(X) + \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)$ and $t > 0$. The implicit constants are independent of f and t .

Proof. The lower bound follows from the fact that $K(g, t, L^1, L^\infty) \sim tg^{**}(t)$ for $g \in L^1 + L^\infty$. Now for the upper bound, consider first the case when $f \in \tilde{H}_p^1(X)$. Identifying f to its restriction to Ω , write $f = f_+ + f_-$ and take the above Calderón-Zygmund decomposition for each f_+ and f_- for $\alpha > 0$ to be chosen. We obtain open subsets U_\pm and functions g_\pm, b_\pm . We assume that U_\pm are nonempty; the easy modifications otherwise are left to the reader.

Here is the point of working with the \tilde{H} spaces instead of the H spaces. As $g_+(0^+) = g_-(0^-) = 0$, if we define $g = g_+$ on Ω_+ and g_- on Ω_- , then g can be extended to a Lipschitz function on $X = \bar{\Omega}$ with $\|\frac{g}{r}\|_\infty \leq C\alpha$. Hence $g \in \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)$ with norm controlled by $C\alpha$.

Therefore we can write $f \in \tilde{H}_p^1(X)$ as $f = g + b$ with $b \in W_1^1(\Omega) = \tilde{H}_1^1(X)$ and $g \in \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)$. We have $\|g\|_{\tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)} \leq C\alpha$ and $\|b\|_{\tilde{H}_1^1(X)} \leq C\alpha(\lambda(U_+) + \lambda(U_-))$. Let

$$\alpha_\pm(t) = \left(\mathcal{M}_{\Omega_\pm}(|f_\pm| + \frac{|f_\pm|}{r} + |\nabla f_\pm|) \right)^*(t), \quad \alpha = \max(\alpha_+(t), \alpha_-(t)).$$

Remark that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_+(t) &\lesssim \left(|f_+|^{**} + \left(\frac{|f_+|}{r} \right)^{**} + |\nabla f_+|^{**} \right)(t) \\ &\lesssim \left(|f|^{**} + \left(\frac{|f|}{r} \right)^{**} + |\nabla f|^{**} \right)(t) \end{aligned}$$

where the implicit constant depends only on the doubling constant of Ω_+ . We used the fact that $\{x \in \Omega_+; |f_+(x)| > \lambda\} \subset \{x \in \Omega; |f(x)| > \lambda\}$, hence $f_+^*(t) \leq f^*(t)$. Similarly, $(\frac{f_+}{r})^*(t) \leq (\frac{f}{r})^*(t)$ and $|\nabla f_+|^*(t) \leq |\nabla f|^*(t)$.

As U_+ is contained in

$$\left\{ x \in \Omega_+; \mathcal{M}_{\Omega_+}(|f_+| + \frac{|f_+|}{r} + |\nabla f_+|)(x) > \alpha_+(t) \right\}$$

we have $\lambda(U_+) \leq t$. Similarly we get $\lambda(U_-) \leq t$. This yields

$$\begin{aligned} K(f, t, \tilde{H}_1^1, \tilde{H}_\infty^1) &\leq \|b\|_{\tilde{H}_1^1} + t\|g\|_{\tilde{H}_\infty^1} \\ &\leq Ct \left(f^{**}(t) + \left(\frac{|f|}{r} \right)^{**}(t) + |\nabla f|^{**}(t) \right). \end{aligned}$$

For the general case when $f \in \tilde{H}_1^1(X) + \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)$, we apply a similar argument to that of [8] to obtain the upper bound. We omit details. \square

Proof of Theorem 3.5. Set $\tilde{H}_{p,1}^1(X) = (\tilde{H}_1^1(X), \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X))_{1-1/p, p}$. By the reiteration theorem, it suffices to establish $\tilde{H}_{p,1}^1(X) = \tilde{H}_p^1(X)$ with equivalent norms.

First, from the Calderón-Zygmund decomposition, we have $\tilde{H}_p^1(X) \subset \tilde{H}_1^1(X) + \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)$ for $1 < p < \infty$ where the inclusion is continuous.

From the previous results we have that for $f \in \tilde{H}_1^1(X) + \tilde{H}_\infty^1(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{1-1/p, p} &\sim \left\{ \int_0^\infty \left(|f|^{**}(t) + \left(\frac{|f|}{r} \right)^{**} + |\nabla f|^{**}(t) \right)^p dt \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\sim \|f^{**}\|_p + \left\| \left(\frac{|f|}{r} \right)^{**} \right\|_p + \|\nabla f\|_p \\ &\sim \|f\|_p + \left\| \frac{f}{r} \right\|_p + \|\nabla f\|_p \\ &\sim \|f\|_{\tilde{H}_p^1}, \end{aligned}$$

where we used that for $l > 1$, $\|f^{**}\|_l \sim \|f\|_l$ (see [19], Chapter V, Lemma 3.21, p.191 and Theorem 3.21, p.201). \square

5 Restriction/Extension from/to \mathbb{R}^n

We study the restriction operator onto Ω and construct an extension that is p independent. The subject of restriction and extension has been very studied for Sobolev spaces on domains. For some definite answers see [12] and the references therein. But recall that the double cone is not a domain. For references closer to what we are doing here, see [16] which considers the Bessel-Sobolev spaces in subsets of \mathbb{R}^n and [17] which treats the Hajlasz-Sobolev spaces in spaces of homogeneous type. Let us first state our result.

Theorem 5.1. *Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$.*

- *The restriction operator is bounded from $W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ into $H_p^1(X)$. Further, it is onto for $p \neq n$ and for $p = n$, its range is $\hat{H}_n^1(X)$.*

- *There exists a linear extension operator E that is bounded from $H_p^1(X)$ to $W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ if $p \neq n$ and from $\widehat{H}_n^1(X)$ to $W_n^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$.*

The interesting part of this result is $p = n$. Observe also that this shows that $H_n^1(X)$ does not have the extension property.

In accordance with the cited references, the second item is closely related to ontoness in the first. It could well be a direct consequence but we prefer producing an explicit extension operator.

In [17], the author studies restrictions onto regular sets in a space of homogeneous type. Note that the double cone is a regular set in \mathbb{R}^n . For such sets, he proves the following interesting theorem (Theorem 1.3). For all $1 < p \leq \infty$, the restriction of $M^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ to Ω equals $M^{1,p}(X)$ and there exists a linear continuous extension from the latter space to the first one. Here, $M^{1,p}$ is the Hajlasz-Sobolev space. Given the fact that $W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n) = M^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with equivalent norms for $1 < p \leq \infty$ ([11]), this implies that $M^{1,p}(X)$ interpolate for $1 < p \leq \infty$. But combining this with our result gives the following corollary.

Corollary 5.2. *For $1 < p \leq \infty$, $M^{1,p}(X) = H_p^1(X)$ if $p \neq n$ and $M^{1,n}(X) = \widehat{H}_n^1(X)$.*

The result for $p > n$ is known (see [10]): it follows from the fact that X is complete and satisfies Poincaré inequality for any $p > n$. Not much more can be said in general without these two conditions so this corollary is seemingly new for $p \leq n$. The interesting case is the identification for $p = n$: $M^{1,n}(X)$ is a strict subspace of $H_n^1(X)$.

This study of restriction/extension properties uses the decomposition into radial and anti-radial parts defined earlier. It also possible to reprove the interpolation property of the $H_p^1(X)$ spaces by this method.

We first study the restriction operator, then construct the extension. We next prove the ontoness and conclude with the application to interpolation.

5.1 Restriction

The restriction operator R is defined by $R(f) = f|_\Omega$. Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. It is obvious that if $f \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ then $R(f) \in W_p^1(\Omega)$, and that $R : W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow W_p^1(\Omega)$ is bounded. As $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is dense in $W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$, the range is contained in $\widetilde{W}_p^1(\Omega) = H_p^1(X)$.

For $p = n$, we show that R maps into $\widehat{H}_n^1(X)$. Let $f \in W_n^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and let $g = R(f)$. Since we already know that $g \in H_n^1(X)$, it remains to show that $g_a/r \in L^n(X)$. Write $f = f_\rho + f_\alpha$ where $f_\rho(x)$ is here the average of f on the whole sphere of radius $|x|$. Identifying f_ρ with its restriction to Ω , we see that $(f_\rho)_r = f_\rho$ and $(f_\rho)_a = 0$. Thus, if we write $g = g_r + g_a$, we conclude that

$g_a = (f_\alpha|_\Omega)_a$, i.e $g_a(x) = f_\alpha(x) - \int_{\Omega \cap S_{|x|}} f_\alpha d\sigma(\theta)$ for $x \in \Omega$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega \cap S_{|x|}} |g_a|^n d\sigma(\theta) &\leq 2^n \int_{\Omega \cap S_{|x|}} |f_\alpha|^n d\sigma(\theta) \\ &\leq 2^n \int_{S_{|x|}} |f_\alpha|^n d\sigma(\theta) \\ &\leq C|x|^n \int_{S_{|x|}} |\nabla_\theta f_\alpha|^n d\sigma(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality is Poincaré inequality (P_1) on the sphere and ∇_θ is the tangential gradient. Since $r(x) = |x|$ it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_\Omega \left| \frac{g_a}{r} \right|^n dx &= \int_0^{+\infty} \int_{\Omega \cap S_{|x|}} \left| \frac{g_a}{r} \right|^n r^{n-1} dr d\sigma(\theta) \\ &\leq C \int_0^{+\infty} r^{n-1} \int_{S_{|x|}} |\nabla_\theta f_\alpha|^n d\sigma(\theta) dr \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\nabla f_\alpha|^n dx < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $R(f) \in \widehat{H}_n^1(X)$.

For $p = \infty$, it is obvious that R is bounded from $W_\infty^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ into $H_\infty^1(X)$ (and it is onto by Whitney's extension theorem).

5.2 Extension

Let $1 \leq p \leq \infty$. Let $f \in H_p^1(X)$ if $p \neq n$ (resp. $f \in \widehat{H}_n^1(X)$). Write $f = f_r + f_a$ as in Section 3. Lemma 3.8 yields $f_r \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $f_a \in \widetilde{H}_p^1(X)$. It remains to extend f_a . We write $f_a = f_a|_{\Omega_+} + f_a|_{\Omega_-} = f_{a+} + f_{a-}$. We treat f_{a+} , the same analysis applying to f_{a-} . Let $\widetilde{\Omega}_+$ be an open half-cone slightly larger than Ω_+ with same rotation axis. In spherical coordinates (r, θ, ϕ) with $\theta \in [0, \pi]$, the angle to the positive x_n -axis, define $\psi_+(r, \theta, \phi) = (r, 2w\theta/\pi, \phi)$ with w the half-angle of Ω_+ . Then ψ_+ is a bilipschitz map from \mathbb{R}_+^n onto Ω_+ and from $\widetilde{\mathbb{R}}_+^n$ onto $\widetilde{\Omega}_+$ where $\widetilde{\mathbb{R}}_+^n$ is a slight extension of \mathbb{R}_+^n . We consider now the even extension $\zeta_+ : W_p^1(\mathbb{R}_+^n) \rightarrow W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Let $m_+ \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that $m_+(x) = g_+(\frac{x}{|x|})$, $m_+ = 1$ on \mathbb{R}_+^n and $\text{supp } m_+ \subset \widetilde{\mathbb{R}}_+^n \cup \{0\}$. With these ingredients we define the extension $\xi_+(f_{a+})$ of f_{a+} as

$$\xi_+(f_{a+}) = [m_+ \zeta_+(f_{a+} \circ \psi_+)] \circ \psi_+^{-1}.$$

It readily follows from the properties of m_+ that

$$\|m_+ g/r\|_p \lesssim \|g/r\|_p$$

and

$$\|\nabla(m_+ g)\|_p \lesssim \|\nabla g\|_p + \|g/r\|_p$$

for all $g \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Using this fact, that bilipschitz maps preserve Sobolev spaces and density of Lipschitz functions, we obtain that $\xi_+(f_{a+}) \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$

with $\text{supp } \xi_+(f_{a+}) \subset \tilde{\Omega}_+$ and $\|\xi_+(f_{a+})\|_{W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C\|f_{a+}\|_{\tilde{H}_p^1(X)}$. We conclude that $\xi(f_a) = \xi_+(f_{a+}) + \xi_-(f_{a-}) \in W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is an extension of f_a to $W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Therefore, E defined by

$$E(f) = f_r + \xi(f_a)$$

is an extension of f to $W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$. We have shown that the map E is $H_p^1(X) \rightarrow W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ -bounded if $p \neq n$ and $\hat{H}_n^1(X) \rightarrow W_n^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ -bounded if $p = n$.

5.3 Ontones and relation to interpolation for $H_p^1(X)$

From the previous subsections, we deduce that $R \circ E$ operates boundedly on $H_p^1(X)$ for $p \neq n$ and on $\hat{H}_n^1(X)$ as the identity map. In particular, R acting on $W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is onto $H_p^1(X)$ for $p \neq n$ and onto $\hat{H}_n^1(X)$ for $p = n$. Using the preservation of interpolation properties for retract diagrams, it follows that

$$(H_1^1(X), H_\infty^1(X))_{1-1/p, p} = R(W_1^1(\mathbb{R}^n), W_\infty^1(\mathbb{R}^n))_{1-1/p, p} = R(W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^n)).$$

Therefore $(H_1^1(X), H_\infty^1(X))_{1-1/p, p} = H_p^1(X)$ for $p \neq n$ and $\hat{H}_n^1(X)$ for $p = n$.

6 Homogeneous versions

Homogeneous Sobolev spaces are defined up to a constant, removing control on the L^p norms on f . Since the vertex point plays a specific role, it is best here to fix the floating constant by imposing control at this vertex point. We adopt the following definitions. Let $\text{Lip}^0(X)$ be the space of Lipschitz functions in X vanishing at 0. For $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, we set

$$E_p = \{f \in \text{Lip}^0(X); \|\nabla f\|_{L^p(X)} < \infty\}$$

$$\tilde{E}_p = \{f \in \text{Lip}^0(X); \|\nabla f\|_{L^p(X)} + \|f/r\|_{L^p(X)} < \infty\}$$

Then E_p and \tilde{E}_p are normed spaces and we call $\mathcal{H}_p^1(X)$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X)$ their completions. Clearly $\tilde{E}_\infty = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_\infty^1(X) = E_\infty = \mathcal{H}_\infty^1(X) = \text{Lip}^0(X)$.

It is easy to show that $\mathcal{H}_p^1(X)$ is composed of locally p -integrable functions. For $p > n$, one has (2.1) from the Morrey embedding and $f(0) = 0$.

It is clear that $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X) \subset \mathcal{H}_p^1(X)$ but for $1 \leq p \leq n$ the inclusion is strict³. Indeed a Lipschitz function supported away from 0 which agrees with $e^{i|x|^{-\alpha}}$ for $|x| \geq 1$ satisfies $\|f/r\|_p = \infty$ and belongs to E_p if $\alpha > 0$ is large enough. For $p > n$, the inclusion is an equality as we shall see.

Lemma 6.1. *For $1 \leq p < \infty$, $\text{Lip}^0(X) \cap \text{Lip}_0(X)$ is dense in $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X)$.*

Proof. If $f \in \tilde{E}_p$, consider $f_k = f\chi(r/k)$, $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$, where $\chi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a smooth function which is 1 on $[0, 1]$ with support in $[0, 2]$. It is easy to show that $\|\nabla(f - f_k)\|_p$ and $\|(f - f_k)/r\|_p$ tend to 0 as k tends to ∞ . \square

Remark. From there, one can see that the restrictions to Ω of functions in $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ that vanish at 0 form a dense subspace of $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X)$.

³In contrast with the inhomogeneous case for $p < n$.

Corollary 6.2. • For $1 \leq p < n$, (3.4) holds on $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X)$.

• For $n < p < \infty$, (3.4) holds on $\mathcal{H}_p^1(X)$ and $\mathcal{H}_p^1(X) = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X)$.

Proof. Assume first that $1 \leq p < n$. Then by the previous lemma, one can assume that $f \in \text{Lip}_0(X)$ for which the argument of (3.4) applies.

Assume now $n < p < \infty$. Let $f \in \text{Lip}^0(X)$. For $0 < \epsilon < R < \infty$, set $A = \int_{\Omega_+ \cap \{R > |x| > \epsilon\}} \left| \frac{f}{r} \right|^p dx$. Then argue as in the proof of (3.4). In the integration by parts, one picks an extra term which has a negative sign because $n - p < 0$. Thus one can cancel it and obtain $A \leq C \|\nabla f\|_{L^p(X_+)}^p$ with C independent of ϵ, R . Taking limits and doing the same thing on Ω_- shows that $f \in \tilde{E}_p$ and we are done. \square

The first item also show that the closure in $\mathcal{H}_p^1(X)$ of $\text{Lip}^0(X) \cap \text{Lip}_0(X)$ is $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X)$.

Theorem 6.3. The family $(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X))_{1 \leq p \leq \infty}$ is an interpolation family for the real method. Hence the same is true for $(\mathcal{H}_p^1(X))_{n < p \leq \infty}$.

The proof for the spaces $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_p^1(X)$ is a minor adaptation of the one of Theorem 3.5 and is left to the reader. The second point follows from the above corollary.

Interpolation for the spaces $\mathcal{H}_p^1(X)$ for $p \leq n$ is unclear.

7 Some remarks and generalizations

Remark. (some explicit extensions) There are many extension operators. The following example was communicated to us by Michel Pierre. For the (double) cone of \mathbb{R}^2 consisting of the 2 quadrants defined by $xy > 0$, then one can take

$$Ef(x, y) = \begin{cases} f(x, y), & \text{if } xy > 0, \\ \frac{x^2 f(x, -y) + y^2 f(-x, y)}{x^2 + y^2}, & \text{if } xy < 0. \end{cases}$$

Remark. (central role of the vertex) The analysis in this article does not use the fact that the cone Ω is symmetric under $x \mapsto -x$ and also does not use the specific opening angle. This means that the upper and lower (open) half-cones can be replaced by two half-cones located independently of one another provided they share the same vertex and that they are strictly separated by a hyperplane passing through the vertex and not containing any direction of the boundaries. Also the (finite) number of disjoint half-cones is not limited to 2 provided each pair satisfies the above requirements.

Remark. (other types of cones) The half-cones can be replaced by $\mathbb{R}_+^* \times N$ where N is a Lipschitz domain on the unit sphere. On such domains, one has Poincaré inequalities with any exponents and this allows to adapt the arguments.

Remark. (local geometry) Of course, the analysis done with inhomogeneous norms is stable by (smooth) truncation of the cone away from the vertex point. For example, if one wants to work on a truncated cone by requiring $r < 1$, then one can use local variants as in Badr's thesis [2]. Details are left to the reader.

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