

## V. APPENDICES

### §A. Appendix A. Some notation and prerequisites

We denote by  $\mathbb{Z}$  the integers, by  $\mathbb{N}$  the positive integers and by  $\mathbb{N}_0$  the nonnegative integers.  $\mathbb{R}$  denotes the real numbers,  $\mathbb{R}_+$  and  $\mathbb{R}_-$  the positive, resp. negative real numbers.  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is the  $n$ -dimensional real Euclidean space, with points  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and distance  $\text{dist}(x, y) = |x - y|$ , where  $|x| = (x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$  and  $\mathbb{R}_-^n$  denote the subsets, respectively,

$$\mathbb{R}_\pm^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n \gtrless 0\}, \quad (\text{A.1})$$

whose boundary  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n = 0\}$  is identified with  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ . The points in  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  are then often denoted  $x'$ ,

$$x' = (x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}), \quad (\text{A.2})$$

so that  $x = (x', x_n)$ .

We denote

$$\begin{aligned} \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid a \leq t \leq b\} &= [a, b], & \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid a < t \leq b\} &= ]a, b], \\ \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid a \leq t < b\} &= [a, b[, & \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid a < t < b\} &= ]a, b[ \end{aligned}$$

(to avoid conflict between the use of  $(x, y)$  for an open interval and for a scalar product).

The space of complex numbers is denoted  $\mathbb{C}$ ;  $\mathbb{C}_\pm$  denote the complex numbers with positive resp. negative imaginary part:

$$\mathbb{C}_\pm = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Im } z \gtrless 0\}. \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$\mathbb{C}^n$  denotes the  $n$ -dimensional complex Euclidean space. The functions we consider are usually functions on (subsets of)  $\mathbb{R}^n$  taking values in  $\mathbb{C}$ . (Vector valued functions, valued in  $\mathbb{C}^N$ , can also occur, or we can consider real functions.)

Set inclusions are denoted by  $\subset$  (whether or not the sets are equal).

Differentiation of functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  is indicated by  $\frac{d}{dx}$ ,  $\partial_x$  or  $\partial$ . Moreover, we write  $\frac{1}{i} \frac{d}{dx} = D_x$  or  $D$  (here  $i$  is the imaginary unit  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ ); the factor

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$\frac{1}{i}$  is included for convenience in the use of the Fourier transformation later on. Partial differentiation of functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is indicated by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = \partial_{x_j} \text{ or } \partial_j; \quad \frac{1}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = D_{x_j} \text{ or } D_j. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

In more complicated expressions we use multi-index notation: When  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$ ,  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ , then

$$\partial^\alpha = \partial_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial_{x_n}^{\alpha_n}, \quad D^\alpha = D_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots D_{x_n}^{\alpha_n} = (-i)^{|\alpha|} \partial_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial_{x_n}^{\alpha_n}, \quad (\text{A.5})$$

here  $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n$ . The notation is used for instance for functions having continuous partial derivatives up to order  $|\alpha|$ , such that differentiations in different directions (up to that order) are interchangeable. Using the conventions

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \leq \beta &\text{ means } \alpha_1 \leq \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_n \leq \beta_n, \\ \alpha! &= \alpha_1! \dots \alpha_n! \\ \alpha \pm \beta &= (\alpha_1 \pm \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_n \pm \beta_n), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.6})$$

we have for  $u$  and  $v$  with continuous derivatives up to order  $N$  the *Leibniz formula*

$$\begin{aligned} \partial^\alpha(uv) &= \sum_{\beta \leq \alpha} \frac{\alpha!}{\beta!(\alpha - \beta)!} \partial^\beta u \partial^{\alpha - \beta} v, \quad \text{for } |\alpha| \leq N, \\ D^\alpha(uv) &= \sum_{\beta \leq \alpha} \frac{\alpha!}{\beta!(\alpha - \beta)!} D^\beta u D^{\alpha - \beta} v, \quad \text{for } |\alpha| \leq N, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

and the *Taylor formula*

$$u(x+y) = \sum_{|\alpha| < N} \frac{y^\alpha}{\alpha!} \partial^\alpha u(x) + \sum_{|\alpha|=N} \frac{N}{\alpha!} y^\alpha \int_0^1 (1-\theta)^{N-1} \partial^\alpha u(x+\theta y) d\theta \quad (\text{A.8})$$

(this is an exact version from which the other well-known formulations can be deduced).

When  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  or  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , we write

$$\begin{aligned} x^\alpha &= x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n}, \text{ and} \\ x \cdot y &= x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n, \quad |x| = (x \cdot \bar{x})^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

The norm  $|x|$  (the Euclidean norm) makes  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{C}^n$  Hilbert spaces over  $\mathbb{R}$  resp.  $\mathbb{C}$ , with scalar product  $x \cdot \bar{y}$ . (The overline indicates complex conjugation.)

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We also define

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x \rangle &= \sqrt{1 + |x|^2}, \text{ which satisfies, for } m \in \mathbb{N} : \\ \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} x^{2\alpha} &\leq (1 + |x|^2)^m = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} C_{m,\alpha} x^{2\alpha}; \end{aligned} \tag{A.9}$$

here  $C_{m,\alpha} = \frac{m!}{\alpha!(m-|\alpha|)!}$ , it is integer  $\geq 1$ .

When  $X$  and  $Y$  are topological spaces,  $X \times Y$  denotes the product space, consisting of pairs  $\{x, y\}$  where  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ , provided with the product topology (having as a subbasis the sets  $U \times V$  where  $U$  resp.  $V$  run through a subbasis of the topology of  $X$  resp.  $Y$ ). When  $X$  and  $Y$  are vector spaces,  $X \times Y$  is a vector space in the obvious way. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are normed spaces, one can provide  $X \times Y$  by the norm

$$\|\{x, y\}\|_{X \times Y} = \|x\|_X + \|y\|_Y, \tag{A.10}$$

making  $X \times Y$  a normed space. When  $X$  and  $Y$  are Hilbert spaces, it is more convenient to use the equivalent norm

$$\|\{x, y\}\|_{X \oplus Y} = (\|x\|_X^2 + \|y\|_Y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \tag{A.11}$$

associated with the scalar product

$$(\{x, y\}, \{x', y'\})_{X \oplus Y} = (x, x')_X + (y, y')_Y, \tag{A.12}$$

with which  $X \times Y$  is a Hilbert space, denoted  $X \oplus Y$ . We use this notation also for the direct sum of two orthogonal closed subspaces  $X$  and  $Y$  of a Hilbert space  $H$ . For  $L_p$ -spaces it can be convenient to use  $(\|x\|^p + \|y\|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$  as the norm on the product space.

We generally define

$$\begin{aligned} X \pm Y &= \{x \pm y \mid x \in X \text{ and } y \in Y\} \\ \Omega X &= \{\alpha x \mid \alpha \in \Omega \text{ and } x \in X\} \end{aligned} \tag{A.13}$$

when  $X$  and  $Y$  are subsets of a vector space  $V$  with scalar field  $\mathbb{L}$  ( $\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ), and  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{L}$ . In particular, we write

$$\begin{aligned} \{x\} + Y &= x + Y \\ \{\alpha\}Y &= \alpha Y \end{aligned} \tag{A.14}$$

when  $x \in X$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{L}$ . When  $X$  and  $Y$  are subspaces of a vector space  $V$ ,  $X + Y$  is denoted  $X \dot{+} Y$  if  $X$  and  $Y$  are linearly independent. (There is also the notation  $X \oplus Y$  for orthogonal closed subspaces of a Hilbert space.)

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When  $X$  is a closed subspace of a Hilbert space  $H$ , the orthogonal complement is denoted  $H \ominus X$ .

Integration by parts in one variable is generalized to functions of several variables by the Gauss and Green formulas, which we briefly recall:

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an open set with  $C^1$  boundary  $\partial\Omega$  and let  $\nu(x)$  denote the interior unit normal vector field at  $\partial\Omega$ .

To explain this further:  $\Omega$  is said to have a  $C^1$  boundary, when every boundary point has a neighborhood  $V$  such that — after a relabelling of the coordinates if necessary —

$$\Omega \cap V = \{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in V \mid x_n > f(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) \}, \quad (\text{A.15})$$

where  $f: \mathbb{R}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a  $C^1$ -function. Here

$$\partial\Omega \cap V = \{ x \in V \mid x_n = f(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) \}, \quad (\text{A.16})$$

and the interior unit normal vector at the point  $x \in \partial\Omega \cap V$  equals (with the notation (A.4))

$$\nu(x', f(x')) = \frac{(-\partial_1 f(x'), \dots, -\partial_{n-1} f(x'), 1)}{\sqrt{(\partial_1 f(x'))^2 + \dots + (\partial_{n-1} f(x'))^2 + 1}}. \quad (\text{A.17})$$

For a  $C^1$  function  $u$  defined on a neighborhood of  $\overline{\Omega}$  one has the *Gauss formula* (when  $u$  has compact support or the integrability is assured in some other way):

$$\int_{\Omega} \partial_k u \, dx = - \int_{\partial\Omega} \nu_k(x) u(x) \, d\sigma, \quad k = 1 \dots, n, \quad (\text{A.18})$$

where  $d\sigma$  is the surface measure on  $\partial\Omega$ . In the situation of (A.16),

$$d\sigma = \frac{1}{|\nu_n(x)|} dx = \sqrt{(\partial_1 f)^2 + \dots + (\partial_{n-1} f)^2 + 1} \, dx_1 \dots dx_{n-1}; \quad (\text{A.19})$$

and the formula (A.18) is for  $k = n$  verified for functions supported in  $V$  simply by the change of coordinates  $x = (x', x_n) \mapsto (x', x_n - f(x'))$  that replaces  $\partial\Omega \cap V$  with a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ . From the Gauss formula one derives several other formulas, usually called *Green's formulas*, when  $u$  and  $v$  are

suitably differentiable:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\Omega} \partial_k u \bar{v} dx &= - \int_{\Omega} u \overline{\partial_k v} dx - \int_{\partial\Omega} \nu_k(x) u(x) \bar{v}(x) d\sigma, \\
\int_{\Omega} D_k u \bar{v} dx &= \int_{\Omega} u \overline{D_k v} dx + i \int_{\partial\Omega} \nu_k(x) u(x) \bar{v}(x) d\sigma, \\
\int_{\Omega} (-\Delta u) \bar{v} dx &= \sum_{k=1, \dots, n} \int_{\Omega} \partial_k u \overline{\partial_k v} dx + \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} \bar{v} d\sigma, \\
\int_{\Omega} (-\Delta u) \bar{v} dx - \int_{\Omega} u \overline{(-\Delta v)} dx &= \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} \bar{v} d\sigma - \int_{\partial\Omega} u \frac{\overline{\partial v}}{\partial \nu} d\sigma; \\
\text{where } \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} &= \sum_{k=1}^n \nu_k \partial_k u,
\end{aligned} \tag{A.20}$$

the interior normal derivative. Here  $\Delta$  is the Laplace operator  $\partial_1^2 + \dots + \partial_n^2$ .

The signs are chosen with later applications in mind (it is the operator  $-\Delta$  that is “positive”).

Let  $p \in [1, \infty]$ . For a Lebesgue measurable subset  $M$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $L_p(M)$  denotes the vector space of equivalence classes of measurable functions  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  with finite norm

$$\begin{aligned}
\|f\|_{L_p(M)} &= \left( \int_M |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \text{ if } p < \infty, \\
\|f\|_{L_\infty(M)} &= \operatorname{ess\,sup}_M |f| \text{ if } p = \infty.
\end{aligned} \tag{A.21}$$

It is a Banach space with this norm. (The equivalence classes consist of functions that are equal almost everywhere (a.e.); we use the customary “abuse of notation” where one calls the equivalence class a function, denoting the class containing  $f$  by  $f$  again. If the class contains a continuous function — necessarily unique if  $M$  is an open set or the closure of an open set — we use the continuous function as representative. Note that  $C^0(M)$  identifies with a subset of  $L_1(M)$  when  $M$  is the closure of a bounded open set.) We recall that for a real measurable function  $u$  on  $M$ ,

$$\operatorname{ess\,sup}_M u = \inf \{ a \mid u(x) \leq a \text{ a.e. in } M \}. \tag{A.22}$$

When  $p = 2$  we get a Hilbert space, where the norm is associated with the scalar product

$$(f, g)_{L_2(M)} = \int_M f(x) \bar{g}(x) dx. \tag{A.23}$$

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*Hölder's inequality*

$$\left| \int_M f(x)g(x)dx \right| \leq \|f\|_{L_p(M)} \|g\|_{L_{p'}(M)}, \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1, \quad (\text{A.24})$$

holds for  $f \in L_p(M)$  and  $g \in L_{p'}(M)$ ; it is the *Cauchy-Schwarz inequality* in the case  $p = 2$ . Note that  $L_p(\Omega) = L_p(\overline{\Omega})$  when for example  $\Omega$  has  $C^1$  boundary.

When the measure of  $M$  is finite, we have an inclusion

$$L_p(M) \subset L_q(M) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq q \leq p \leq \infty. \quad (\text{A.25})$$

Recall that the proof for  $p < \infty$  consists of observing that for  $f \in L_p(M)$  one has, with  $r = p/q$ ,  $1/r + 1/r' = 1$ , by the Hölder inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{L_q(M)} &= \left( \int_M |f(x)|^q dx \right)^{1/q} = \left( \int_M |f(x)|^{p/r} \cdot 1 dx \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \left( \int_M |f(x)|^p \right)^{1/rq} \left( \int_M 1 dx \right)^{1/r'q} \quad (\text{A.26}) \\ &= \|f\|_{L_p(M)} \text{vol}(M)^{1/q-1/p} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{vol}(M) = \int_M 1 dx$  is the volume (measure) of  $M$ .

When  $M \subset V$  for some set  $V$ , we denote by  $1_M$  the function on  $V$  defined by

$$1_M(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } x \in M, \\ 0 & \text{for } x \in V \setminus M. \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.27})$$

When  $f \in L_p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $g \in L_q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and

$$1 \leq p \leq \infty, \quad 1 \leq q \leq \infty, \quad \frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} - 1 \geq 0, \quad (\text{A.28})$$

then the convolution  $(f * g)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)g(x-y) dy$  defines a function  $f * g$  in  $L_r(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and

$$\|f * g\|_{L_r(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbb{R}^n)} \|g\|_{L_q(\mathbb{R}^n)}; \quad (\text{A.29})$$

*Young's inequality.* In particular, if  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $g \in L_2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $f * g \in L_2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and

$$\|f * g\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbb{R}^n)} \|g\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \quad (\text{A.30})$$

When  $\Omega$  is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we denote by  $L_{p,\text{loc}}(\Omega)$  the set of functions on  $\Omega$  whose restrictions to compact subsets  $K \subset \Omega$  are in  $L_p(K)$ . In view of (A.25), one has that

$$L_{p,\text{loc}}(\Omega) \subset L_{q,\text{loc}}(\Omega) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq q \leq p \leq \infty. \quad (\text{A.31})$$

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In particular,  $L_{1,\text{loc}}(\Omega)$  is the space of locally integrable functions on  $\Omega$  (containing all the other spaces  $L_{p,\text{loc}}(\Omega)$ ).

The lower index  $p$  on  $L_p$ -spaces (instead of an upper index) reflects the fact that  $p$  is placed in this way in the modern literature on function spaces, such as  $L_p$ -types of Sobolev spaces  $H_p^s$ ,  $B_p^s$  (and their numerous generalizations), where the upper index  $s$  is reserved for the number of well-defined derivatives.

**Exercises for Chapter 1.**

**A.1.** Show the general Leibniz formulas (A.7).

**A.2.** (a) Let  $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Show for any  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  that the function  $g(\theta) = f(x + \theta y)$  ( $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ ) satisfies:

$$\frac{d}{d\theta}g(\theta) = \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_j f(x + \theta y)y_j,$$

and conclude from this that

$$f(x + y) = f(x) + \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \int_0^1 \partial_j f(x + \theta y) d\theta.$$

(b) Show Taylor's formula (A.8) for arbitrary  $N$ .

**A.3.** Deduce the formulas in (A.20) from (A.18).  
(*Hint.* Apply (A.18) to  $\partial_k(u\bar{v})$ .)