

# Robust nonlocal trace and extension problems

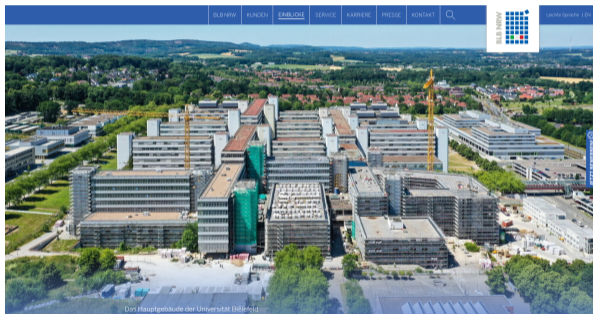
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# I. Origin of the project



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# I. Exterior Dirichlet value problems

**Goal:** Robust trace spaces for nonlinear problems in Lipschitz domains

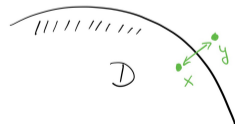
**Application:** Solve, for a natural and large class of exterior Dirichlet data  $g$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (-\Delta)_p^s u(x) &= f && \text{in } D, \\ u &= \mathbf{g} && \text{in } \mathbb{R}^d \setminus D. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{DP})$$

where

$$(-\Delta)_p^s u(x) = (1-s) \text{pv.} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |u(y) - u(x)|^{p-2} (u(x) - u(y)) \frac{dy}{|x-y|^{d+sp}}$$

- 1 Focus is on the behavior of  $g$  near  $\partial D$ .
- 2 Away from  $\bar{D}$ , the object  $(-\Delta)_p^s u$  makes sense already if  $u \in L^{p-1}(\mathbb{R}^d; \frac{dx}{(1+|x|)^{d+sp}})$ .
- 3 The stronger assumption  $u \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d; \frac{dx}{(1+|x|)^{d+sp}})$  is natural in the variational context.



**Goal today**

# I. Exterior Neumann-type value problems

So far, Neumann-type conditions have not been well understood for nonlocal operators.

Given, a Lipschitz domain  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , a natural goal is to study solutions  $u : (0, T) \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  to the *parabolic nonlocal Neumann problem*:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \mathcal{L}u &= f(t, x) & \text{in } (0, T) \times D, \\ \mathcal{N}u &= \mathbf{h}(t, x) & \text{in } (0, T) \times \overline{D}^c, \\ u(0, x) &= u_0(x) & \text{in } D, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathcal{L}$  is a nonlocal operator, e.g., fractional Laplace operator and  $\mathcal{N}u$  is the “nonlocal normal derivative of  $u$ ” associated to  $D, J$ .

Here again: **function spaces** necessary for analysis and stochastic analysis.

Upcoming [joint with Soobin Cho]: probabilistic interpretation of  $u(t, x)$  in linear case

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II. The space  $V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$  for general measures  $\nu$ **Assumptions:**

- $\nu : \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is symmetric with

$$\int \min\{1, |h|^2\} \nu(h) dh < \infty. \quad (L)$$

- $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  open and bounded.

**Definition**

$V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$  is the vector space of all measurable  $u : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with

$$|u|_{V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^2 = \iint_{D\mathbb{R}^d} (u(y) - u(x))^2 \nu(x-y) dy dx < \infty. \quad (2)$$

We endow the vector space  $V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$  with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}$  given by

$$\|u\|_{V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^2 = \|u\|_{L^2(D)}^2 + |u|_{V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^2. \quad (3)$$

## II. Quadratic forms, $V_{\nu,0}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$ , and $H_{\nu}(D)$

Given functions  $u, v \in V_{\nu}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$ , we define a bilinear form  $\mathcal{E}$  by

$$\mathcal{E}(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} \iint_{(D^c \times D^c)^c} (u(x) - u(y))(v(x) - v(y)) \nu(x-y) dx dy.$$

Note  $|u|_{V_{\nu}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^2 \leq \mathcal{E}(u, u) \leq 2|u|_{V_{\nu}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^2$  for any  $u$ .

### Definition

$$V_{\nu,0}(D|\mathbb{R}^d) := \{u \in V_{\nu}(D|\mathbb{R}^d) \mid u = 0 \text{ a.e. on } \mathbb{R}^d \setminus D\}$$

$$H_{\nu}(D) := \left\{ u \in L^2(D) \mid \mathcal{E}_D(u, u) < \infty \right\}$$

with norm  $\|u\|_{H_{\nu}(D)}^2 = \|u\|_{L^2(D)}^2 + \mathcal{E}_D(u, u)$ , where

$$\mathcal{E}_D(u, v) = \iint_{DD} (u(x) - u(y))(v(x) - v(y)) \nu(x-y) dx dy.$$



## II. Density in energy spaces for $p = 2$

**Theorem:** Let  $\nu$  satisfy (L) with full support and let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be open.

- 1  $C^\infty(D) \cap H_\nu(D)$  is dense in  $H_\nu(D)$ .
- 2 If  $\partial D$  is compact & continuous, then  $C_c^\infty(\overline{D})$  is dense in  $H_\nu(D)$ .
- 3 If  $\partial D$  is compact & continuous, then  $C_c^\infty(D)$  is dense in  $V_{\nu,0}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$ .
- 4 If  $\partial D$  is compact and Lipschitz, then  $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  is dense in  $V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$  with respect to  $\|\cdot\|_{V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}$  with

$$\|u\|_{V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^2 = \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)}^2 + |u|_{V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^2.$$

Theorem taken from Foghem/MK [FK22]

### References:

First statement (Meyers-Serrin) and second statement: [FG20] and [DK21]

Third statement: [FSV15] for a special choice of  $\nu$  and in [FG20], [BGPR20a] for the general case.

Fourth assertion: [FKV20]

## II. Exterior Neumann-type derivatives

Let  $\mathcal{N}u$  be the “nonlocal normal derivative of  $u$ ” associated to  $D$  and  $\nu$ , see [DROV17].

$$\mathcal{N}u(y) = \int_D (u(y) - u(z))\nu(z - y)dz, \quad y \in \overline{D}^c. \quad (4)$$

### Lemma

Let  $f \in L^2(D)$ . Assume  $u \in V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$  minimizes the functional  $v \mapsto \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{E}(v, v) - \int_D fv$  in the space  $V_\nu(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Then  $\mathcal{N}u = 0$  in  $D^c$ .

- 1  $\mathcal{N}u = 0$  on  $D^c$  constitutes a *natural* complement condition, analogous to  $\partial_n u = 0$  on  $\partial D$  in the classical case. No regularity of  $D$  is needed, though.
- 2 Gauss-Green type formula: For  $u \in C_b^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $v \in C_b^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$  we have

$$\int_D -\mathcal{L}u(x)v(x)dx = \mathcal{E}(u, v) - \int_{D^c} \mathcal{N}u(y)v(y)dy.$$

In particular, by choosing  $v = 1$  one deduces  $\int_D \mathcal{L}u(x)dx = \int_{D^c} \mathcal{N}u(y)dy$ .

## II. Approximation of divergence and normal derivative

### Lemma [HK23]

The [classical divergence theorem](#) in bounded  $C^1$ -domains follows from the [Fubini theorem](#) with the help of nonlocal operators and rescaling.

Key ideas in the proof:

- notion of nonlocal divergence and nonlocal normal derivative
- choice of localizing sequence  $\nu_\varepsilon$
- Fubini provides a trivial nonlocal “divergence theorem”
- $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

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### III. Exterior Dirichlet data for $p > 1$

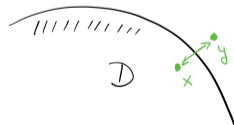
- Task:** Robust trace spaces for rather general domains and nonlinear problems.
- Application:** Solve, for a natural and large class of exterior Dirichlet data  $g$ ,

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### III. Energy spaces for $p > 1$

#### Definition

For a bounded Lipschitz domain  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$  we define

$$V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d) := \{u : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ measurable} \mid [u]_{V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)} < \infty\},$$

$$[u]_{V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)}^p := \frac{1-s}{p} \iint_{D \times \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|u(x) - u(y)|^p}{|x-y|^{d+sp}} dx dy.$$

We endow this space with the norm  $\|u\|_{V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)}^p := \|u\|_{L^p(D)}^p + [u]_{V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)}^p$ .

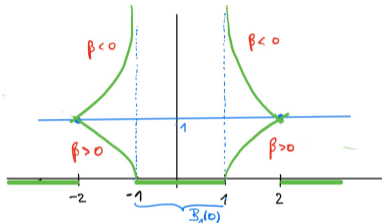
#### Lemma (Dyda/MK [DK19])

Assume  $D$  is bounded and  $u \in V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)$ . Then  $u \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d; \frac{dx}{(1+|x|)^{d+sp}})$

### III. Understanding the space $V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)$

Choose  $D = B_1(0) \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ . Let  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ . We study an example of  $g \in V^{s,p}(B_1 | \mathbb{R}^d)$ . Assume  $g : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & |x| < 1, \\ (|x| - 1)^\beta, & 1 \leq |x| \leq 2, \\ 0, & |x| > 2. \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{B_1 \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{(g(y) - g(x))^2}{|y - x|^{d+2s}} dy dx &= \iint_{B_1 (B_2 \setminus B_1)} \frac{(|y| - 1)^\beta}{|y - x|^{d+2s}} dy dx = \int_{B_2 \setminus B_1} (|y| - 1)^{2\beta} \left( \int_{B_1} |y - x|^{-d-2s} dx \right) dy \\ &\asymp \int_{B_2 \setminus B_1} (|y| - 1)^{2\beta - 2s} dy \quad g \in V^{s,p}(B_1 | \mathbb{R}^d) \quad \text{iff } 2\beta - 2s > -1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \beta > s - \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

### III. Problem of trace space

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded domain with some regularity of  $\partial D$ . Assume  $s \in (0, 1)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

#### Main Aim

We search for a space of functions on  $D^c$ , say  $\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)$ , and a map

$$\text{Tr}_s : V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c), \quad u \mapsto u|_{D^c},$$

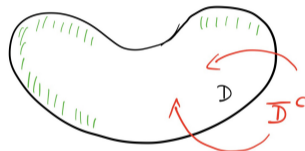
which is continuous and linear with a continuous right inverse

$$\text{Ext}_s : \mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c) \rightarrow V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d), \quad g \mapsto \text{ext}(g).$$

#### Maximum goal

There is  $(\mu_s)$  such that for any  $u \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , as  $s \rightarrow 1^-$ ,

$$\|\text{Tr } u\|_{L^p(D^c; \mu_s)} \rightarrow \|\gamma u\|_{L^p(\partial D)}, \quad [\text{Tr } u]_{\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)} \rightarrow [\gamma u]_{W^{1-1/p,p}(\partial D)}.$$





### III. Earlier attempts on nonlocal trace spaces

- (1)  $H^{1/2}(\partial D)$  as trace space of weighted  $L^2(D)$ , [TD17]  $\Rightarrow$  Peridynamics. See follow-ups.
- (2) Definition of  $\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)$  in [DK19]. Traces and extensions. Not robust as  $s \rightarrow 1-$ , though.
- (3)  $\mathcal{T}^{s,2}(D^c)$  together with traces and extensions in [BGPR20a]. Douglas identity. Not explicit. Some extensions in [BGPR20b].
- (4) [GH22]: explicit definition of  $\mathcal{T}^{s,2}(D^c)$ . Robust extensions and traces for  $p = 2$ ,  $\partial D \in C^{1,1}$ .

Features of current project [GK23]:  $\mathbf{p} > \mathbf{1}$  and  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{1}$ ,  $\partial D$  Lipschitz, Whitney covering

An abstract definition of a trace space is always possible.

#### Definition (abstract)

We define  $\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)$  as the space of restrictions to  $\mathbb{R}^d \setminus D$  of functions of  $V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)$ . That is,

$$\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c) = \{v : D^c \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ meas. such that } v = u|_{D^c} \text{ with } u \in V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)\},$$

$$\|v\|_{\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)} = \inf\{\|u\|_{V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)} : u \in V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d) \text{ with } v = u|_{D^c}\}.$$

### III. Trace spaces

We define measures  $\mu_s$  on Borel sets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  by

$$\mu_s(dx) := 1_{D^c}(x) (\mathbf{1} - s) d_x^{-s} (1 + d_x)^{-d-s(p-1)} dx \quad (5)$$

on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $s \in (0, 1)$ ,  $p \geq 1$  where  $d_x := \text{dist}(x, \partial D)$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

We introduce the trace spaces

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c) &:= \{g : D^c \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ measurable} \mid \|g\|_{\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)} < \infty\}, \\ \|g\|_{\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)}^p &:= \|g\|_{L^p(D^c; \mu_s)}^p + [g]_{\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)}^p, \\ [f]_{\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c \mid D^c)}^p &:= \iint_{D^c D^c} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|^p}{((|x - y| + d_x + d_y) \wedge 1)^{d+s(p-2)}} \mu_s(dx) \mu_s(dy) \end{aligned}$$

### III. Trace spaces

Recall

$$\mu_s(dx) := 1_{D^c}(x) (1-s) d_x^{-s} (1+d_x)^{-d-s(p-1)} dx$$

Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. Assume  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Let  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(a) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$  for all  $x \in [a, a + \delta]$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x) (1-s)(x-a)^{-s} dx &= (1-s) \int_a^{a+\delta} f(x) (x-a)^{-s} dx + \underbrace{(1-s) \int_{a+\delta}^b f(x) (x-a)^{-s} dx}_{\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } s \rightarrow 1} \\ &\leq (f(a) \pm \varepsilon) (1-s) \int_a^{a+\delta} (x-a)^{-s} dx + \mathcal{O}(1-s) \\ &= (f(a) \pm \varepsilon) \delta^{1-s} + \mathcal{O}(1-s) \quad \longrightarrow \quad (f(a) \pm \varepsilon) \text{ as } s \rightarrow 1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the measure  $(1-s)(x-a)^{-s} dx$  converges to  $\delta_{\{a\}}$  as  $s \rightarrow 1$ .

### III. Trace spaces

#### Theorem (Grube/MK)

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded Lipschitz domain,  $s \in (0, 1)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ . Then the trace map

$$\text{Tr}_s : V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c), \quad u \mapsto u|_{D^c}$$

is continuous and linear and there exists a continuous right inverse

$$\text{Ext}_s : \mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c) \rightarrow V^{s,p}(D | \mathbb{R}^d), \quad g \mapsto \text{ext}(g).$$

#### Theorem (Grube/MK)

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a Lipschitz domain,  $s \in (0, 1)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ . For any  $u \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , as  $s \rightarrow 1^-$ ,

$$\|\text{Tr } u\|_{L^p(D^c; \mu_s)} \rightarrow \|\gamma u\|_{L^p(\partial D)}, \quad [\text{Tr } u]_{\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)} \rightarrow [\gamma u]_{W^{1-1/p,p}(\partial D)}.$$

### III. Well-posedness for exterior value problems

#### Corollary (Grube/MK)

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded Lipschitz domain,  $s_* \leq s < 1$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ . Let  $g \in \mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)$  and  $f \in V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)' \supset L^{p'}(D)$ . Then there exists a unique solution  $u \in V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$  to problem (DP). Moreover, there is a constant  $c > 0$ , depending only on  $p, D, s_*$  such that

$$\|u\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq c(\|g\|_{\mathcal{T}^{s,p}(D^c)} + \|f\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)'}) . \quad (6)$$

**Proof:** Let  $V_g^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$  be the set of all functions  $v$  of the form  $v = \text{Ext}_s g + v_0$  with  $v_0 \in V_0^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$ . This set is a closed convex subset of  $V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Let  $I : V_g^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$I(v) = \frac{1-s}{p} \iint_{D|\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|v(y) - v(x)|^p}{|x - y|^{d+sp}} dx dy - f(v).$$

The functional  $I$  is strictly convex and weakly lower semicontinuous on the reflexive, separable Banach space  $V_g^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

### III. Well-posedness for exterior value problems

Since

$$|f(v)| \leq \|f\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)'} \|v\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq \delta \|v\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^p + (p')^{-1}(\delta p)^{-1/(p-1)} \|f\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)'}^{p'}$$

for every  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ , we can apply the Poincaré-Friedrichs inequality to the function  $v - \text{Ext}_s(g)$  to obtain

$$I(v) \geq \frac{1}{2p} [v]_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^p + c_1^{-1} \|v\|_{L^p(D)}^p - c_1 \|f\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)'}^{p'} - c_1 \|\text{Ext}_s g\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)}^p$$

for some constant  $c_1$  depending on  $p$  and the Poincaré-constant. Thus, the functional  $I$  is coercive in the sense that  $I(v) \rightarrow +\infty$  for  $\|v\|_{V^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)} \rightarrow +\infty$ . We have shown that  $I$  attains a unique minimizer  $u$  on the set  $V_g^{s,p}(D|\mathbb{R}^d)$ . It is now straightforward to show that the function  $u$  solves problem (DP). The claimed estimate follows from  $I(u) \leq I(\text{Ext}_s g)$ , and the above estimate.  $\square$

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## IV. Details of the proofs.

Analogous to the measure  $\mu_s$  from (5), we define for  $s \in (0, 1)$  the measure

$$\tau_s(dx) = \frac{1-s}{d_x^s} 1_D(x) dx \quad (7)$$

on Borel subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Recall that  $d_x = \text{dist}(x, \partial D)$ .

### Theorem (Approximate trace inequality)

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded Lipschitz domain,  $1 < p_* < p^* < \infty$  and  $s_* \in (0, 1)$  there exists a constant  $C = C(d, D, p_*, p^*, s_*) > 0$  such that for every  $s \in (s_*, 1)$ ,  $p_* \leq p \leq p^*$  and  $u \in W^{s,p}(D)$

$$\int_D |u(x)|^p \tau_s(dx) + \int_D \int_D \frac{|u(x) - u(y)|^p}{((|x-y| + d_x + d_y) \wedge 1)^{d+s(p-2)}} \tau_s(dy) \tau_s(dx) \leq C \|u\|_{W^{s,p}(D)}^p. \quad (8)$$



## IV. Details of the proofs.

### Lemma

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded Lipschitz domain with a localization radius  $r_0 > 0$ .

(1) For every  $s$  the measure  $\tau_s$  is a doubling measure.

(2) There exists  $C = C(d, D) > 0$  such that for any  $s \in (0, 1)$ ,  $0 < r \leq r_0/2$ , and  $x \in D$

$$\tau_s(B_r(x)) \leq C r^{d-s}.$$

Let  $u \in W^{s,p}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_D \int_D \frac{|u(x) - u(y)|^p}{((|x - y| + d_x + d_y) \wedge 1)^{d+s(p-2)}} \tau_s(dy) \tau_s(dx) \\ & \leq 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^{ns(p-1)} \iint_{\substack{D \times D \\ 2^{-n-1} \leq |x-y| < 2^{-n}}} |u(x) - u(y)|^p \frac{(\tau_s \otimes \tau_s)(d(y, x))}{|x - y|^{d-s}} + \iint_{\substack{D \times D \\ 1 \leq |x-y|}} |u(x) - u(y)|^p \tau_s(dy) \tau_s(dx) \end{aligned}$$

## IV. Details of the proofs.

Define  $H := L^p(D \times D, |x - y|^{-d+s} \tau_s(dy) \tau_s(dx))$  and, for  $1 < q \leq \infty$ ,  $\beta > 0$ , the space

$$\ell^{\beta, q} := \{(h_n)_n \mid h_n \in H\},$$

$$\|(h_n)\|_{\ell^{\beta, q}} := \left\| \left( 2^{n\beta} \|h_n\|_H \right)_n \right\|_{\ell^q(\mathbb{N})}.$$

Then

$$\text{[Blue Term]} = \left\| \left( (u(x) - u(y)) 1_{2^{-n-1} \leq |x-y| < 2^{-n}} \right)_n \right\|_{\ell^{s-s/p, p}}^p. \quad (9)$$

Define the linear map

$$Tf(x, y) := \left( (f(x) - f(y)) 1_{2^{-n-1} \leq |x-y| < 2^{-n}} \right)_n, \quad f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

Denote by  $H^{\alpha, s}$  the Bessel potential space.

**Key observation:**  $T : H^{\alpha, s} \rightarrow \ell^{\beta, \infty}$  with  $\beta = \alpha - s/p$  is continuous.

## IV. Details of the proofs.

### Lemma (Chapter V, Lemma C in [JW84])

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded connected Lipschitz domain,  $0 < s_* \leq s < 1$  and  $1 < p_* \leq p \leq p^* < \infty$ . We set

$$\alpha_0 := s \frac{1+p}{2p}, \quad \alpha_1 := 1 + \frac{s}{2p}. \quad (10)$$

and  $\beta_i := \alpha_i - s/p$  for  $i \in \{0, 1\}$ . There exists a constant  $C = C(d, D, p_*, p^*, s_*) > 0$  such that for all  $0 < r \leq r_0/2$  and  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$  we have

$$\iint_{\substack{D \times D \\ |x-y| < r}} |G_{\alpha_i} * f(x) - G_{\alpha_i} * f(y)|^p \tau_s(dy) \tau_s(dx) \leq Cr^{p\beta_i} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)}^p, \quad (11)$$

$$\int_D |G_{\alpha_i} * f(x)|^p \tau_s(dx) \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)}^p. \quad (12)$$

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V. The case  $p = 1$ 

## Theorem

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded Lipschitz domain,  $s \in (0, 1)$ . Then the trace operator

$$\mathrm{Tr}_s : V^{s,1}(D|\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L^1(D^c; \mu_s(dx)), \quad u \mapsto u|_{D^c}$$

is continuous and linear. There exists a continuous linear right inverse

$$\mathrm{Ext}_s : \mathcal{T}^{s,1}(D^c) \rightarrow V^{s,1}(D|\mathbb{R}^d), \quad g \mapsto \mathrm{ext}(g).$$

The continuity constants of the linear trace and extension operator only depend on  $D$  and a lower bound on  $s$ . In addition, the norm of the extension operator in dimension  $d = 1$  also depends on a lower bound on  $1 - s$ .

## V. The case $p = 1$

The theorem is analogous to the local setting, i.e., for  $s = 1$ .  $L^1(D^c; \mu_s)$  replaces  $L^1(\partial D)$ .

There exists a *nonlinear* bounded extension operator from  $L^1(\partial D)$  to  $BV(D)$ , see e.g. [MSS18, Theorem 1.2]. A continuous extension map of integrable functions on  $\partial D$  to a function of bounded variation in  $D$  cannot be linear [Pee79].

If we restrict ourselves to the Besov space  $B_{1,1}^0(\partial D) \subset L^1(\partial D)$ , then a continuous linear extension to functions  $BV(D)$  that is right inverse to the trace map exists, see [MSS18, Theorem 1.1].

The trace embedding  $V^{s,1}(D | \mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{s,1}(D^c)$  cannot be continuous. Consider the sequence of functions

$$u_n(x) := \begin{cases} 0 & , x \in D \\ n^{1-s} & , x \in D^c, \text{dist}(x, \partial D) < 1/n \\ 0 & , x \in D^c, \text{dist}(x, \partial D) \geq 1/n \end{cases}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . One easily sees that  $\|u_n\|_{V^{s,1}(D | \mathbb{R}^d)} \asymp \|u_n\|_{L^1(D^c; \mu_s)} \asymp 1$  but a simple calculation yields  $\|u_n\|_{\mathcal{T}^{s,1}(D^c)} \asymp \ln(n) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

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